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ASOKAN INSCRIPTIONS IN INDIA

(A Linguistic Study, together with an exhaustive Bibliography)

Being the Pandit Bhagwanlal Indarji

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PREFACE

The present essay was written for the Bhagawanlal Indraji Gold Medal and Prize Competition of the year 1943; and was subsequently awarded the said medal and prize. The title of the essay for the competition was given as "The Aśokan Inscriptions in India" and the choice of the specific view point from which these inscriptions were to be studied was left to the competitor. The inscriptions of Aśoka have a perennial interest for a research scholar and during the past century or so they have been studied by research scholars from different points of view. The monumental work of HULTZSCH in *Corpus Inscriptionum Indicarum*, Vol. I (New Edition) gives excellent texts and translations of all Aśokan inscriptions save the recently discovered versions of the Minor Rock Edict at Kopbāl and Yerrāguḍi. HULTZSCH's work again has brought the palaeographic study of the inscriptions to a very high level and his readings leave little room for improvement. The other aspects which arise from these inscriptions, such as the empire of Aśoka and its administration, his personal religion and the Dharma which he preached, the social and economic life of the people in the days of Aśoka, the forms of speech current in his days in the different parts of the country, have also been mostly dealt with. I have therefore tried to give in the following pages only the linguistic study of the inscriptions. The originality in the approach is contained in the study of these inscriptions on the comparative basis of Historical Linguistics. The first part of the Essay is devoted to the linguistic study and the second part comprises the Aśokan Bibliography. I have tried to make it as exhaustive as possible and have also given the nature of the contents of each entry in the Bibliography.

But for the help that I received from the University of Bombay it would have been extremely difficult for me to publish this work. I am therefore greatly indebted to the University of Bombay for undertaking the publication of the essay.

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ABBREVIATIONS

ABIA	..Annual Bibliography of Indian Archaeology.
ABORI	..Annals of the Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute.
ALOC	..All India Oriental Conference.
AJP	..American Journal of Philology.
AO	..Acta Orientalia.
AR	..Asiatic Review.
Aś.	..Aśoka(n).
ASI	..Archaeological Survey of India.
ASSI	..Archaeological Survey of Southern India.
ASWI	..Archaeological Survey of Western India.
b	..Bairāt Minor Rock Edict.
bb	..Barābar Cave Inscriptions.
BDCRI	..Bulletin of the Deccan College Research Institute.
bh	..Bairāt-Bhābrū (Calcutta-Bairāt) Minor Rock Edict.
BLSI	..Indian Linguistics. Bulletin of the Linguistic Society of India.
br	..Brahmagiri Minor Rock Edict.
BSOS	..Bulletin of the School of Oriental Studies.
BVP	..Bhāratīya Vidyā Patrikā.
CHI	..Cambridge History of India.
CII	..Corpus Inscriptionum Indicarum.
COJ	..Calcutta Oriental Journal.
D	..Dhauī Rock Edict.
d	..Dhauī Separate Edict.
EI	..Epigraphia Indica.
G	..Gimār Rock Edict.
GGA	..Göttingische Gelehrte Anzeigen.
H	..Hemacandra.
Hlz.	..Hultzsch. Inscriptions of Aśoka. (CII, Vol. I).
IA	..Indian Antiquary.
IC	..Indo-European.
IE	..Indo-Germanische Forschungen.
IF	..Indian Historical Quarterly.
IHQ	..Jaugada Rock Edict.
J	..Jaugada Separate Edict.
j	..Journal Asiatique.
JA	..Journal Asiatique.
JAHRs	..Journal of the Andhra Historical Research Society.
JAOS	..Journal of the American Oriental Society.
JASB.	..Journal of the Asiatic Society of Bengal.
JBBRAS	..Journal of the Bombay Branch Royal Asiatic Society.
JBHS	..Journal of the Bombay Historical Society.
JBORS	..Journal of the Bihar and Orissa Research Society.
JDL	..Journal of the Department of Letters, University of Calcutta.
	..Journal of Indian History.

JOR	.. <i>Journal of Oriental Research.</i>
JPASB	.. Journal and Proceedings of the Asiatic Society of Bengal.
JPTS	.. Journal of the Pāli Text Society.
JRAS	.. Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society.
jtr.	.. Jātinga-Rāmeśvara Minor Rock Edict.
JUB	.. Journal of the University of Bombay.
JUPHS	.. Journal of the United Provinces Historical Research Society.
K	.. Kālsī Rock Edict.
kb	.. Allahabad-Kausāmbī Pillar Edict (Minor).
kpb	.. Kōpāl Minor Rock Edict.
kq	.. Queen's Edict—Allahabad-Kausāmbī Pillar.
Ksb	.. Allahabad-Kausāmbī Pillar Edict.
L	.. Lüders' List of Prakrit Inscriptions, appended to Ep. Ind. 10
M	.. <i>Mānsehrā Rock Edict.</i>
Mi	.. Delhi-Mīrāth Pillar Edict.
MI-A	.. Middle Indo-Aryan.
mk	.. Minor Rock Edict(s).
MRE	.. Mathia Pillar Edict (Lauriya-Nandagarh).
Mth	.. Nigālī Sāgar Minor Pillar Edict.
ng	.. New Indian Antiquary.
NIA	.. Nāgarī Prachārāṇī Patrikā.
NPP	.. Orientalistische Literaturzeitung.
OLZ	.. Pillar Edict(s).
PE	.. Quarterly of the Andhra Historical Society.
QARS	.. Quarterly Journal of the Mythic Society.
QJMS	.. Radhia Pillar Edict (Lauriya-Ararāj).
Rdh	.. Rock Edict(s).
RE	.. Rummindēi Minor Pillar Edict.
ZII	.. Rāmpūrvā Pillar Edict.
rm	.. Rūpnāth Minor Rock Edict.
ru	.. Shāhbāzgarhī Rock Edict.
S	.. Sahasrām Minor Rock Edict.
s	.. Sacred Books of the East.
SBE	.. Sāñci Minor Pillar Edict.
sc	.. Śiddāpur Minor Rock Edict.
sd	.. Sanskrit.
Sk.	.. Sāmāth Minor Pillar Edict.
sn	.. Sopārā Rock Edict.
'So	.. Sitzungsberichte der Königlich Preuss. Ak. der Wissenschaften.
SPAW	.. Delhi-Toprā Pillar Edict.
T	.. Transactions of the American Philological Association.
TAPA	.. Vararuci.
V	.. Vienna Oriental Journal.
yr	.. Wiener Zeitschrift für die Kunde des Morgenlandes.
WZKM	.. Yerrāguḍi Minor Rock Edict.
VOJ	.. Zeitschrift der Deutschen Morgenländischen Gesellschaft.
ZDMG	.. Zeitschrift für Indologie und Iranistik.

INTRODUCTION

So much has been written, revised, and re-written on the subject of Aśoka inscriptions that it hardly needs lifting one's pen to point out any further the importance of the subject. As the oldest dated records in Prakrits, their importance for a historical study of MI-A languages can never be overrated. Again almost as the first lines of any text to be put down in writing and preserved in India, the singularity of these inscriptions has been well appreciated. Their value for the reconstruction of the political history of ancient India is contained in the fact that they yield some useful dates and events in the life of the great monarch Aśoka. For the early history of Buddhism, its diffusion in the distant corners of the Emperor's vast territories, for the missionary activities which he carried on in the cause of the "Law of Piety" he purported to enunciate, these inscriptions read as a gospel. And with the few colours regarding the social conditions that are preserved in these edicts can also be drawn a picture of the contemporary society.

These are some of the various aspects from which the inscriptions of Aśoka could be studied. Within the limit of a hundred foolscap pages prescribed for the competitive essay it is impossible to do full justice to all these aspects. Moreover with some of the biographical sketches of the life and career of Aśoka and the publication of the "Inscriptions of Aśoka" in *Corpus Inscriptionum Indicarum* Vol. I (new edn.) almost all these aspects have been ably and fully studied (see note on Bibliography, Part II, pp. 95.9). The present attempt is, therefore, restricted to a linguistic study of these inscriptions from a comparative view point of historical linguistics.

If we were to take into consideration the dates when some of the edicts were first discovered then the history of the study of these inscriptions may be said to stretch over two centuries. For, the honour of the discovery of the Delhi pillar goes to Padre Tieffenthaler who gathered the fragments of the pillar somewhere about 1750. The activity which was started at that stage was fruitfully carried on by numerous enthusiasts and it is needless to recount all the dates when the different records were first discovered. Yet the real study of these inscriptions must be regarded to have commenced when James Prinsep first unveiled roughly in the middle of the nineteenth century the mystery which overhang the art of deciphering these inscriptions. Learned scholars who followed in his wake contributed their share at every stage to make available to the readers a more correct text and translation of these inscriptions. It is on the basis of the efforts of these early scholars that we have to base the edifice of our linguistic study to-day.

The present monograph includes all the available inscriptions of Aśoka¹ : the versions of the fourteen Major Rock Edicts found at Gīmar, a mile to the East of Junāgaḍh in the Kāṭhiāwār Peninsula, at Shāhabāzgarhī, nine miles from Mardān, the headquarters of the Yūsufzai subdivision of the Peshawar Dt., and at Mānsehrā, the headquarters of a tahsil in the Hazārā Dt., both in N.W.F. Province, at Kālsi, in the Chakrātā tahsil in the Dehra Dun Dt., U.P., at Dhāuli in the Khurda subdivision of

1. For their geographical distribution see the map.

the Purī Dt., Orissa, at Jaugaḍa, in the Berhampur tāluka of the Ganjam Dt., Orissa, the two separate edicts at Dhauli and Jaugaḍa, the fragment of the VIIIth Rock Edict discovered at Sopārā in the Bassein Taluka of Thānā Dist., Bombay; the sets of Pillar Edicts found at Delhi-Toprā, the village Tobra where the pillar originally stood being identified with Tōprā on the direct line between Ambala and Sirsāvā, 22 miles to the South-West of Khizrābād, at Delhi-Mīrath, the village Mīrath being the present headquarters of the Meerut district in the U.P., at Lauriya-Ararāj, formerly known as Radhia Pillar, in the Champaran Dt., N. Bihar, at Lauriya-Nandangarh, once known as Mathia Pillar, in the same district of Bihar, at Rāmpūrvā, again in the same district of Bihar, at Allahabad Kauśāmbī, the latter being identified with modern Kosam, about 28 miles West by South from Allahabad: this same pillar has on the face of it the so-called "*Queen's Edict*" and the so-called "*Kauśāmbī Edict*" (minor), besides the first six of the seven Major Pillar Edicts; the texts of the Minor Pillar Edicts discovered at Sāñci, an ancient cite in the Bhopal State in Central India; at Sārnāth, about 3 miles to the North of Benares, at Rummindei, about 13 miles South-East of Nigālī Sāgar Pillar in the Nepalese Tārai and about 5 miles to the North-East of Dulhā in the British Dt. of Basti in the U.P., at Nigālī Sāgar, about a mile South of Niglivā, belonging to the South of Nepalese Tahsil of Taulivā and about 7 miles North-West of Piprāhwā in Basti Dt., of U.P.; the Minor Rock Edicts discovered at Rūpnāth, 14 miles west of Sleēmanabad railway station on the line from Jabalpure to Katni, at Sahasrāmī, the head-quarters of a subdivision in the Shāhābād Dt., Bihar, at Bairāt, the headquarters of a Tahsil in the Jaipur St., Rajputana, at Calcutta-Bairāt, once styled as the Bhābrū edict, at Maski, in the Raichur Dt., and at Kopbāl, the head-quarters of a district in the Jagir of Nawab Salar Jung Bahadur both in H.E.H. the Nizam's Dominions, the versions at Brahmagiri, Siddāpur, and Jatinga-Rāmeśvara all three being situated in the Chittaldroog Dt., Mysore State, at Yerrāguḍi, in the Kurnool Dt. of Madras; and the cave inscriptions in the Barābar hill, 15 miles to the North of Gaya in Bihar.

The version of the Minor Rock Edict at Yerrāguḍi is already mentioned above. The following notice published on page 791 of the *Indian Historical Quarterly*, Vol. 4, speaks of the discovery of a set of fourteen Rock Edicts. "A momentous discovery of another recension in Brāhmī script of fourteen rock edicts of Aśoka has just been announced by the Department of Archaeology in India. The inscriptions have been found engraved on five large rocks in the Kurnool District of the Madras Presidency. Eleven of the fourteen rock edicts have already been identified. It is expected that a fuller report together with the photographs of the inscriptions will be available shortly." More than a decade has elapsed since the publication of this notice and yet this valuable discovery has not been brought out in print. This delay in the publication is to be greatly regretted for the material afforded by the South Indian inscriptions of Aśoka is scanty and the publication of these fourteen edicts would largely add to our knowledge of the South Indian dialect in the Aśokan age.

The Deotek slab inscription lately published by Prof. V. V. Mirashi¹ and attributed by the learned editor to the days of Aśoka is not included in the present study. Deotek is a small village some fifty miles to the south-east of Nagpur in C.P. The attribution of the inscription to Aśoka is mainly based upon the subject matter of the ins-

1. Proceedings and Translations, 9th AIOC. pp. 613-22.

cription which is thus narrated by the editor : " . . . its object was to record the command of some lord (*Sāmi*) . . . prohibiting the capture and slaughter (evidently of some animals . . .) and declaring some punishment for such as dared disobey it. The third line mentions executive officers (*āmachā* = *amātyāḥ*) whose duty may have been to enforce these orders." On the basis of this information Prof. Mirashi contends, "The contents of the present inscription suggest that it may be referred to the age of Aśoka when there was a wide-spread campaign against the capture and slaughter of animals." Prof. Mirashi himself notes certain circumstances which go against his view. Firstly the commencement of the record is unlike that of the known inscriptions of Aśoka. And secondly some letters, e.g., *ñ*, *p* and *c* in the first line and *t* which occurs in the first two lines belong to a later period. But in spite of these difficulties Prof. Mirashi believes that the Deotek edict was issued by some officer of Aśoka perhaps in the fourteenth year after his coronation.

The arguments put forward in support of this attribution do not carry conviction. Besides the palaeographic and stylistic difficulties already noted above I am putting forward here the difficulties in attributing the record to Aśoka from the linguistic view point. First of all, if the word *lego* occurring in the fourth line is to be derived from *lekha-*, it involves the change of *-kh-* to *-g-* perhaps through *-gh-* (*lekha-* > **legha-* > *lega-*). But this is a highly advanced phonetic change which never appears in the inscriptions of Aśoka. Even the intermediate stage where *-kh-* > *-gh-* occurs only in the inscription of the 1st cent. B.C. in Central India. (cf. Sk. *Makhādeva* > *Maghādeva* at Bharaut L. 691). The cluster *sv-* which appears in the word *svāmi* (line 1) is never preserved in the Central Indian inscriptions of Aśoka, except in the word *svaga-*. It is preserved, on the contrary, in the West and the N.-West (in the form *sp-*) in the inscriptions of Aśoka. Similarly in the Deotek slab the cluster *-jñ-* is palatalised to *-ñ-* in *ā/ñapa-* (line 1) and *rāñā* (line 4). Now palatalisation of this cluster forms the Western characteristic of the inscriptions of Aśoka. In the Central and Eastern regions on the contrary it is assimilated to *-n-*. The preservation of the cluster *-mb-* in *Cikambari* (line 1) also appears to be a later characteristic. Coming to the declined forms in the Deotek inscription, the nom. sg. ends in *-o*, (*bandhamāto* line 2), but Central Indian inscriptions of Aśoka always show the ending *-e*. Thus the absence in the Deotek slab of the Central Indian peculiarities observed in the inscriptions of Aśoka preclude the possibility of its being assigned to the days of Aśoka. The inscription, therefore, is excluded from the present study.

As the inscriptions of Aśoka offer to the scholar of Indian Linguistics an extremely fruitful field for research they have attracted the attention of a very large number of scholars—linguists, palaeographers and historians alike. As one goes through the pages of the Bibliography attached at the end as the Second Part of this Essay, one is amazed at the large number of contributions already made with regard to these inscriptions. It is not quite unlikely that one may even come to the conclusion that there is now hardly anything left to be written on the subject of Aśokan inscriptions. But as the initial reaction of wonder subsides the reader would begin to see the way in which he can yet make some original contribution in this direction. Thus almost all these attempts are devoted to the publication of the text and translation of the edicts, to the writing of explanatory notes on individual passages or words, to the identification of places and peoples mentioned in the edicts, or to the deciding of a

particular trait in the life of Aśoka. A comprehensive attempt to study these inscriptions from the view point of comparative linguistics still remains to be undertaken. It is true that some of the scholars have fully studied the dialects of the different versions or have made a beginning in this direction. Hultzsch's excellent summaries of grammars of individual versions are undoubtedly valuable. But he has failed therein to make a comparative approach so as to cover all the versions at a single stretch.

The present essay is, therefore, based on this comparative stand point which is to be applied to the entire material afforded by these inscriptions. Thus the treatment of a particular phoneme or morpheme in all versions is studied at one place and wherever the dialectal distinctions could be observed in the geographically distant areas they have been pointed out. The whole study is divided into two Parts—the first part being devoted to such comparative study and the second part to a complete Bibliography. The first part again consists of three chapters. The first chapter deals with the Phonology and Morphology of these inscriptions. *It includes the comparative study of the treatments of vowels and consonants in all positions.* This approach enables us to fix the regional correspondences which the different versions exhibit. In the short space which is at our disposal it is not possible to give example of the preservation of Sk. vowels and consonants, unless such preservation itself is of linguistic importance. A few changes which are introduced in the treatment of consonants due to assimilation and others which are only occasional in their appearance have been referred to in foot-notes. The study mainly purports to bring out the stage as is reflected in these inscriptions in the development of the MĀ-A languages in the different corners of India. Where the examples are quoted they are culled as far as possible to represent all the versions of the inscriptions and thus satisfy the requirement of comparative study. It also deals with the declensional and the conjugational systems from the same comparative stand point as is applied to the study of Phonology. The dialectal variations in each case have been generally specified in the beginning and the exceptions wherever they occur have been immediately noted.

The second chapter includes the study of Syntax of these inscriptions. But for a few syntactical peculiarities in the Major Rock Edicts noted by Hultzsch at the end of the Grammar of the Girnar version this important branch in the linguistic study of these inscriptions has almost remained untouched. As an exhaustive study of Aśokan syntax could not be included in this Essay, only such peculiarities as appear in the government of cases, in case variations, and a few others have been exemplified at some length. Even in this sphere the different versions of the edicts point to dialectal variations in certain instances.

The last chapter views the results in Phonology and Morphology arrived at by the comparative study in the light of the Prakrit grammarians. The school of Prakrit grammarians came into vogue at a very late stage and hence their grammars are based on the literary works. The three principal languages treated by them derive their names from the three geographical subdivisions viz. Magadha, Śūrasena and Mahārastra. It is, therefore, quite natural to suppose that the dialects which later on developed into full fledged literary languages must have been reflected in the different versions in Aśokan inscriptions corresponding to their respective regions. For though the edicts which were to be inscribed at various places in Aśoka's empire were the same when they were issued from Magadha, they were altered actually at the time of inscribing them at various places so as to suit the requirements of local dialects. A

note of warning, however, requires to be sounded here before one eagerly looks into these inscriptions to get as it were the Western, the N.-Western, the Central or the Southern translations of the Māgadha edicts. It is only the Gīmār and the Shāhbāzgarhī versions of the fourteen rock edicts which materially differ from the Māgadha version. The edicts which appear in Central and Southern India do not seem to have been so largely altered. To substantiate this statement the treatment of *ṛ* in the Central Indian inscriptions of Aśoka may be cited as an illustration. In this division the semi-vowel *ṛ* becomes *l* as in the Māgadha dialect. But in the numerous votive inscriptions at Sāñci which come almost on the heels of Aśokan inscriptions this *ṛ* is preserved. Now it would be hazardous to suppose that the Central Indian dialects in Aśoka's days changed *ṛ* > *l* but began to preserve it when the inscriptions at Sāñci were inscribed. On the contrary it would be more natural to suppose that the scribes who put down the Central Indian versions of Aśoka's inscriptions did not alter the Māgadha *l* to *ṛ* but kept the form of the word as it appeared in the Māgadha dialect. This single illustration, however, does not preclude the possibility of the Central and Southern scribes of having made any change whatsoever. For instance, the Kopbā] version alone of the Minor Rock Edicts presents an instance of initial cerebralisation of the dental *n*. This cannot be explained in any other way except by supposing that its insertion was entirely due to the influence of a local dialect.

Thus it is the study of the Western dialect in comparison with the Eastern one of the Aśokan inscriptions which can be principally utilised for the study of the development of literary Mahārāṣṭrī and Māgadhī. However, wherever the versions other than those in the two regions noted above show any dialectal peculiarity even they have been considered in relation to the later Prakrits of the grammarians. The purpose of this last chapter is primarily to investigate the extent to which the dialectal characteristics noticed by later grammarians had already begun to appear in the corresponding regions in the days of Aśoka.

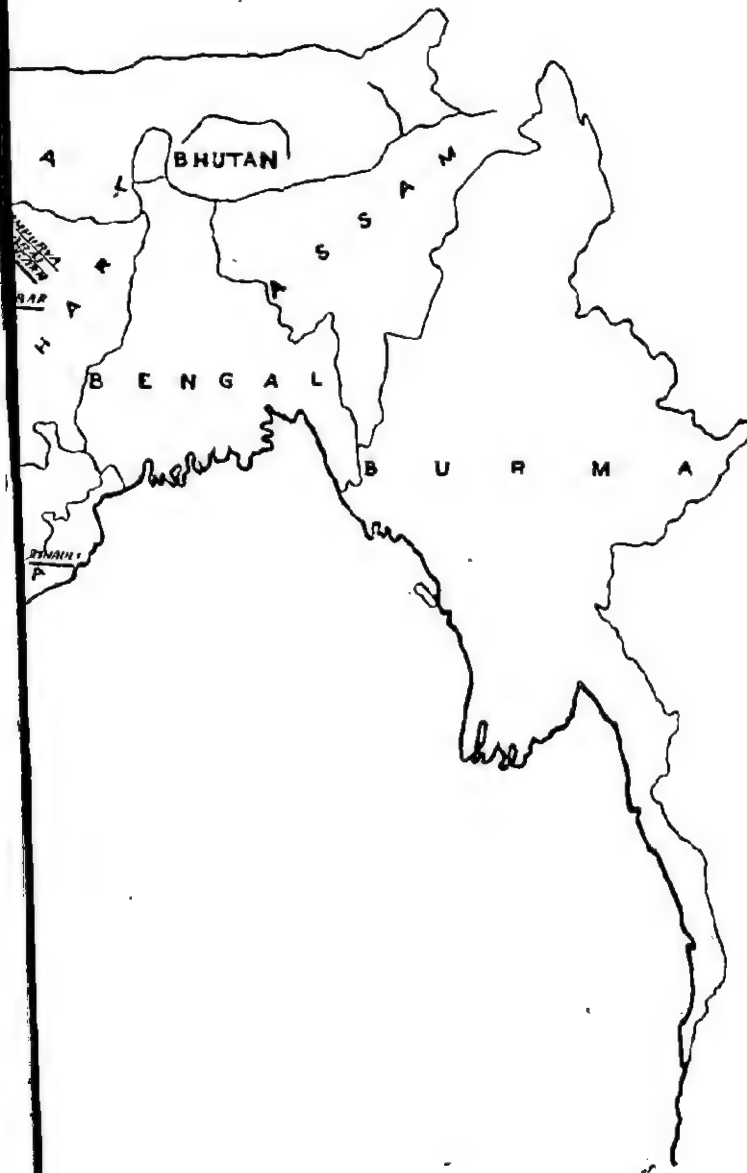
The second part is devoted to the presentation of an exhaustive Bibliography of Aśokan inscriptions. All the entries have been in the first instance arranged alphabetically under their authors' names in order to facilitate ready reference. In the end is given a Note on the Bibliography which classifies all these four hundred odd entries according to their subject matter by giving reference to their number in Bibliography.

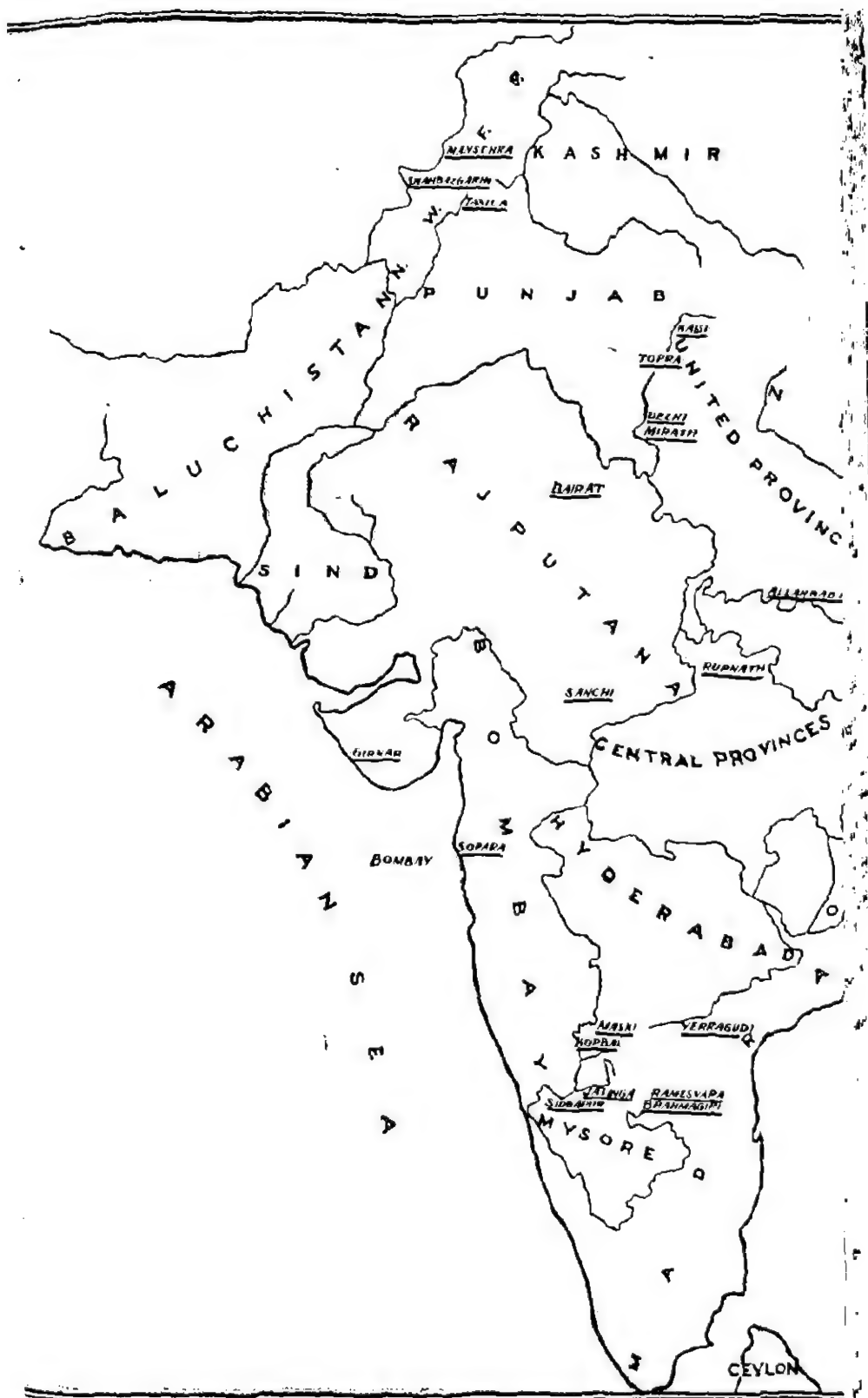
As the present monograph is restricted to the linguistic study it has not been possible to deal with some other aspects of the inscriptions. Yet it may be pointed out what is being done quite recently in this direction. With the texts, translations and numerous explanatory notes already having been made available, the identification of Satyaputra and the problem of the religion of Aśoka seem to interest the scholars even to-day. The former has been differently identified and with regard to the Emperor's faith all the existing religions of the land have been exhausted. It appears, however, that the Emperor was a convert Buddhist, though the Dhamma he undertook to preach did not contain the philosophical delicacies peculiar to this religion. It is not intended here to give a detailed argument in support of this opinion. The absence of the dogmatic tenets of Buddhism in his preaching seems to make us believe that Aśoka did not as much wish to see that all his subjects were convert Buddhists like himself as to see that they practised the ethical side of the religion. The mention of Brahmanical

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CHAPTER I

COMPARATIVE STUDY OF AŚOKAN INSCRIPTIONS

§ 1. INTRODUCTORY : The inscriptions of Aśoka offer to the student of Indian linguistics a remarkable specimen of a linguistic survey of Indo-Aryan languages as they were current in the great Maurya Empire during the 3rd century B.C. This unique feature has been responsible for attracting the attention of many distinguished scholars working in the field of Middle Indo-Aryan linguistics. Though it is difficult to name all these scholars in these few introductory remarks, mention may be made of the following who have very greatly contributed towards deciphering and interpreting these inscriptions : PRINSEP, SENART, BÜHLER, JOHANSSON, FRANKE, SMITH, GRIERSON, MICHELSON, THOMAS, HULTZSCH, BLOCH, LÜDERS, JAYASWAL, CHARPENTIER, WOOLNER, D. R. BHANDARKAR, D. C. SIRCAR, TURNER, and B. M. BARUA. The publication of these inscriptions by HULTZSCH in the revised edition of the *Corpus Inscriptionum Indicarum*, Vol. I, in 1925 has brought the study of Aśokan inscriptions to a very high level, incorporating within itself the linguistic and palaeographic researches of more than three generations of scholars. I have based my phonological and morphological study of these inscriptions entirely on the readings adopted by HULTZSCH.

But even this work of HULTZSCH fails to attempt a comparative approach to the linguistic material afforded by these inscriptions. His excellent summaries of grammars are valuable in themselves, no doubt, but their drawback is that they deal with individual dialects and do not give a comparative idea to the reader. In the following discussion, therefore, the whole material is rearranged on a comparative basis in order to show at every stage what linguistic features marked the different dialects of the period. Thus a comprehensive attempt is made here, perhaps for the first time, to reduce, wherever possible, the entire material to certain regional correspondences in so far as the treatment of the different vowels, consonants—simple and clustered—, and the declensional and conjugational forms are concerned. While doing this, in the section on Phonology only the linguistic changes have been exemplified, the instances of preservation being omitted. It may be noted that these changes again are not of universal character but show only certain tendencies of pronunciation. In the section on Morphology, however, all the different endings have been exemplified.

Besides the inscriptions included by HULTZSCH in his edition, I have incorporated in this study the additional material afforded by the recently discovered versions of the minor rock edict at Kopāl¹ in H. E. H. the Nizam's Dominions and at Yerrāguḍi² in the Kurnool district of the Madras Presidency. I have, however, not been able to include the fourteen rock edicts discovered in the Kurnool district, as none of them is published so far though many years have elapsed since the announcement of their

1. Ed. by R. L. TURNER. *The Gavimaṣṭh and Pāḷkiguṇḍu inscriptions of Aśoka*, Hyderabad Arch. Ser. No. 10, 1932.

2. D. C. SIRCAR *IHQ* 7. (737) 817 ff. B. M. BARUA, *IHQ* 4. 113 ff., 13. 132 ff. K. P. JAYASWAL, *IHQ* 9. 583 ff.

discovery by the Department of Archæology in India. This material, when published, would be of immense importance inasmuch as the south Indian Aśokan material is rather scanty in comparison with the north Indian material.

I have not added here any remarks as regards the find spots³ of the Aśokan inscriptions. They are now too well-known in the world of scholars to need repetition here.

PHONOLOGY

I. VOWELS

§ 2. In common with the other MIA languages the Sk. vowels are well preserved in these inscriptions, the notable exceptions being those of the vowel *r* and the diphthongs *ai* and *au*.

§ 3. Treatment of the vowel *r* in a metrically short syllable :

(i) In its initial position this vowel generally tends to become *a*- in G even when combined with a labial. In K and to a certain extent in M, *r*- either becomes *a*- or *i*- so that in a few cases we actually get two parallels for a Sk. word, one indicating the *a*- and the other the *i*- treatment. In S, *r*- generally becomes *i*- and in a few cases *a*-. It becomes *u*- when combined with a labial. D. J. Pillar and Minor Rock inscriptions agree with the treatment found in K, except that in the latter *r*- > *u*- in combination with a labial.

Sk.	G.	K	S
<i>kṛtā-</i>	<i>kata-</i>	<i>kaṭa-</i>	<i>kiṭa-</i>
			<i>kiṭra-</i>
<i>mṛgā-</i>	<i>maga-</i>	<i>miga-</i>	<i>mruga-</i>
M	D, J	PE	MRE
<i>kaṭa-</i>	<i>kaṭa-</i>	<i>kaṭa-</i>	<i>kaṭa-</i>
<i>kiṭa-</i>			
<i>mṛiga-</i>	<i>miga-</i>	Sk. <i>sṛmarā-</i> >	Sk. <i>mṛṣāvāda-</i> >
	Sk. <i>pṛthivī-</i> >	<i>simala-</i>	<i>musāvāda</i>
	<i>puṭhavi-</i>		

It must be noted that S and sometimes M do not in all cases change the vowel *r* to *a*-, *i*-, *u*- but also preserve the consonantal character of the vowel *r* in semi-tat-samas.⁴ Then again in G we get *srūṇāru* from Sk. $\sqrt{sr-}\eta u$; but this is due to the influence of the other forms of the root $\sqrt{sr-}$ (cf. HULTZSCH, p. LVI). Other parallels are : *ṣuneyu* K, *śrūṇeyu* S, *suneyu* MRE.

(ii) In the penultimate position it appears that the change *-r* > *-i* is fast disappearing in the edicts which showed it in the initial syllable and the change *-r* > *-a* is tending to be normal. Under stress accent it becomes *-i* in all groups.

3. These will be clear from the Map No. 1.

4. Cf. for this type of change WACKERNAGEL, *Ai.Gr.* I §29, p. 33.

Sk.	G	K	S
<i>vyāpṛta-</i>	<i>vyāpala-</i>	<i>viyāpaḷa-</i>	<i>vapaḷa-</i> <i>viyapupa-</i>
<i>etādṛśa-</i> <i>īdṛśa-</i>	<i>etārisa-</i>	<i>hedisa-</i>	<i>ediṣa-</i>
M	D, J	PE	MRE
<i>vapuḷa-</i> <i>viyapraḷa-</i>	<i>viyāpaḷa-</i>	<i>viyāpaḷa-</i>	Sk. <i>prakṛti-</i> > <i>pakiti-</i>
<i>ediṣa-</i>	<i>ediṣa-</i>	<i>hedisa-</i>	

(iii) Most of the words where we get the vowel -ɾ in its final position are those expressive of human relationship and in such cases it becomes -i or -u.

Sk.	S, M	K, D, J	PE	MRE
<i>bhrātṛ-</i>	<i>bhrātu-</i> <i>bhata-</i> M	<i>bhāti-</i>		
<i>pitr-</i>	<i>pitu-</i> <i>piti-</i>	<i>piti-</i> <i>-pitu-</i> D	<i>piti</i>	<i>piti-</i> , <i>pitu-</i> ⁵

§ 4. The vowel ɾ in a metrically long syllable :

(i) In the initial position the vowel generally becomes *a-* in all edicts, with this difference that when combined with a labial it becomes *u-* oftener in other edicts than in G.

Sk.	G	S, M	K
<i>vrkṣā-</i>	<i>vracha-</i>	<i>rucha-</i>	<i>lukha-</i>
<i>vrddhi-</i>	<i>vaḍhi-</i> (<i>vuḍha-</i> Sopārā)	<i>vaḍhi-</i> S <i>vadhri-</i> M	<i>vaḍhi-</i> (<i>vadha-</i>)
D, J	PE	MRE	
<i>lukha-</i>		Sk. <i>adhi-kṛtya</i> > <i>adhi-gicya.</i> <i>vaḍhi-</i>	
<i>vaḍhi-</i> <i>vuḍhi-</i>	<i>vaḍhi-</i>		

The Sk. root √*ḍṛkṣ-* gives two bases *√*dakkha-* and *√*dikkha-* from which we get √*dakha-* (S, M, K, D, J, MRE) and *dekha-* (D, J, PE). The form *diseyā* in bh is derived from Sk. *ḍṛśyate* by KERN and HULTZSCH.

(ii) In the penultimate position we get the same treatment as in the case of the initial syllable.

Sk.	G	K	S, M.	D, J	PE
<i>ānṛṇya-</i>	<i>ānaṇna-</i>	<i>ananiya-</i>	<i>ananiya-</i>	<i>ānaṇna-</i>	Sk. <i>apakṛṣṭa-</i> > <i>apakaḷha-</i>
<i>nivṛtti-</i>		<i>nivuti-</i>	<i>nivuti-</i>	(<i>anāvuti</i>)	Sk. <i>niṣṛṣṭa-</i> > <i>niṣiḷha-</i> (due to assimilation).

5. At yr -ɾ > -ū- before term. under the influence of gen. pl. cf. -*pītūsu*,

§ 5. Treatment of Sk. *ai* : In all positions and in all versions Sk. *ai* > *e*.

Sk. *kaivarta* > *kevaṭa*- PE

The dat. inf. term. *-lavai* > *-lave* everywhere

The diphthong *-ai* which is the result of the sandhi becomes *-i-* at sn. cf. Sk. *ekaika* > *ikika*-. At sn. Sk. *ēka* > *ika*-. Therefore the second *-i-* in *ikika* may be due to assimilation or due to sandhi peculiarity.

§ 6. Treatment of Sk. *au* : In all positions and at all places Sk. *au* > *o*.

Sk. *paūtra* > *-poṭra*- G, M. *-pota*- S, G, K, D, J. *poṭika*- T, sc.

Sk. *paurāṇa* > *porāṇa*- Mysore group. *porāṇa*- yr.

In bh we get the form *galava*- (HLZ. *gālava*-) comparable with Sk. *gaurava*-. The Aśokan form is to be derived directly from the base **gara*- which appears in Sk. *gāriyas*- and *gariṣṭha*-.

§ 7. Treatment of Sk. *-aya*- (and *ayi*-):

Sk. *-aya*- (and *-ayi*-) is usually contracted to *-e-*; but it is sometimes preserved without any regional distinction.

Sk. *pūjayati* > *pujeti* S,M,K, *pūjetayā*- G (< Sk. *pūjayitavyā*-),
pūjayati G.

Sk. *ā/jñā-paya* > *a/ṇapaya*- S,M,br., *a/ṇape*- S,M, *ā/ṇapaya*- D,J,Kb., *ā/ṇapaya*- G, *a/ṇapaya*- K.

Sk. **trayadaśa* > *traidasa*-. G, *tedasa*- K, D, J, *todaśa*- S (? Acc. to HLZ.)

Sk. *Ujjayinī* > *Ujeni* d.

§ 8. Treatment of Sk. *ava* :

Sk. *ava* generally becomes *o* in Aś. inscriptions. When *ā* > *o* > *ava* in Sk. conjugation, in Aś. inscriptions we get either *ava* or *o*.

Sk. *avarodhana* > *orodhana*- K, D, J, T.

Sk. *bhavati* > *bhavati* G, *hoti* G,So,S,M,K,D,J,d,j,PE,sd.

§ 9. Treatment of Sk. *a* in a metrically short syllable :

The Sk. vowel *a* is preserved in an overwhelming majority of cases. There are, however, a few changes which it undergoes.

(i) Change *a* > *ā* is observed in the following cases :

Sk. *ca* is sometimes represented as *cā* in K,D,J,j,PE and MRE. Similarly we get *nā* twice in K for Sk. *nā*.⁷

Sk. *rāti* : The form in S,M,G and So is *rati*, but in K *lāti*. TURNER points out that this latter form might be an example of the preservation of initial *ā*- cf. *rāḍi* 'play' **rāṇti*. Similarly the form *uyāma*- in K is shown to be a case of medial preservation of long *-ā*- (< Sk. *udyāma*-).⁸

(ii) The change of *-a* > *-i-* is found in Sk. *madhyamā* > *majhima*- in K,d,j and PE (but *majhama*- in G). This change is due to the presence of the palatal semi-vowel *y*. In the future form the same change occurs in *vaḍhisiti* in MRE.

6. TURNER explains this form to have come from Prim. Ind. **trayedaśa* < IE **treyez-dekm*. cf. BSOS 4.363.

7. It is worthwhile to note that in RV X. 34.8 also we get *nā*.

8. Cf. BSOS 4.364. For a few apparent changes *a* > *ā* cf. MEHENDALE, BDCRI 3.233. In Sk. *ātiyāyika* < *ācāyika*- S,M,G, *atiyāyika*- K,D,J, the change seems to be due to assimilation. We may also note Sk. *kṛtājñātā* > *kiṭanātā* K.

(iii) The change of *a* > *ū* is noticed in *tūlanā*- (< Sk. *tvaraṇā*-) and *tulā*- (< Sk. *tvarā*-) in d and j respectively,⁹ in *munīsa*- (< Sk. *mānuṣa*- or *maruṣya*-) in D, J, PE and MRE,¹⁰ and in *muta*-¹¹ (< Sk. *matā*-) in K,S,M,Ksb,Rdh,Rp.

Sk. *uccāvaca*- > *ucāvuca*- Major RE due to assimilation (G gives *ucavaca*- also).

Sk. *udapāna*- > *udupāna*- in M,K,D,J,T. On the basis of this correspondence the change *-a* > *-u* may be explained away as due to assimilation. But it is also possible to derive *udu*- < Sk. *-uḍu*- 'water'. The Sk. word *uḍu*- probably goes back to *ṛdu*- 'sweet or pleasant'. Cf. *ṛdupā*- *Rgveda* VIII 77.11 'drinking what is sweet or pleasant'.

Sk. *auṣadhā*- (< *oṣadhi*-): The forms that are obtained are *oṣuḍha*- in S and *osudha*- in G, K,D and J, however, give the form *osadha*. HULTZSCH observes that the change *-a* > *-u* noticed in S and G is due to the preceding vowel *o*. Commenting on this derivation TURNER¹² observes that an earlier hypothetical form **oṣyḍha*- or **oṣḍha*- would explain the presence of *-ū* or *-a* in the different forms. But we have already seen that intervocalic *-ṛ* > *-a* (and not *-u*) in G and *-i* or *-a* in S. The suggestion, therefore, made by TURNER does not seem to be acceptable.

The change of Sk. *ca* > *cu* in Kpb is explained by TURNER to be due to contamination with *tu*. Cf. *Gavimṭh and Pālk. Inscriptions*, p. 10.

(iv) The change of *a* > *e* in *meṇati* S (Sk. *manyate*) is probably due to the influence of the palatal *y* in the following syllable. (Cf. HLZ. p. lxxxiv). Similarly Sk. *śālyaka*- > *-seyaka*- Rdh, Mth, Rp and *-sayaka*- T, Ksb (cf. HLZ. p. cxi). The form *sayame*- (Sk. *samyama*-) only at M is either due to preceding *y* or is a mistake.

(v) Initially *a*- is dropped in *pi* < Sk. *api* in all versions. For a few other instances of initial elision cf. Sk. **ahakam* > *hakam* K,D,J,PE,MRE; in the west and north-west, however, we get *aham*. Similarly Sk. *arghanti* > **araghanti* > **raghamti* > *laghamti* PE. In compounds, Sk. *-ādhyakṣa*- > *dhiyakha*- K, *-jhaḥkha*- G, M, *-dhiyacha*- S. We may also cite the instance of Sk. *asmi* > *sumi* MRE.

(vi) In the final position the vowel *-a* is preserved in many cases. In a few cases, however, it is dropped or is changed to *-ā*, *-e* or *-o*.

1. The Vowel *-a* > *-ā* in compounds as,

Sk. *sāra-vṛddhi*- > *śālā-vaḍhi*- K, but *sāra*- G, *śāla*- K, *sala*- S, M.

Sk. *ardha-trika*- > *adhātiya*- br,sd, but *aḍhātiya*- in other MRE. The change here may be due to the simplification of the following cluster.

2. It becomes *-ā* also when the final consonant is dropped. The change occurs mostly in the north and the east.

Sk. *yāvat* > *āvā* Rdh,Mth; in other edicts we get *-a* at the end.

Sk. *samyāḥ* > *samyā*- D,J,K; *saṁma*- S, *samya*- G,M.

3. In some cases the final *-a* is lengthened even when there is no loss of final consonant.

Sk. *āha* > *āhā* K,D,J,PE,yr. *āha* G,K,J,PE and br. and sd.

9. It may be noted that in Vedic times the word *tvar*- was pronounced as **tuar*-. Hence **tuarāṇā* > *tūlanā* or *tulā*. Similarly in PE we get *suve* < Vedic *svah*.

10. The change here appears to be due to analogy with *purisa*- < Sk. *pāruṣa*-.

11. Due to the presence of *m*. The vowel *a* is preserved in *matā*- at k, d, j, T, Mi,

12. BSOS 4.363.

Sk. *yātra*¹³ > *yatā* K; other edicts, including K, give forms with -a at the end.

Sk. *ātha* > *aihā* yr.

The change is sometimes observed in the terminations of declension.

Sk. *bhayēna* > *bhayenā* PE.

Sk. *jānapadasya* > *jānapadasā* K,T. *jānapadasa* G,D,PE.

4. The loss of visarga : The visarga at the end is lost in these inscriptions and the preceding vowel -a sometimes undergoes the following changes.

(i) Change -aḥ > -ā :

Sk. *Magah* > *Magā* G, *Makā* K, *Maka* S,M.

(ii) Change -aḥ > o : This is generally found in G,S.

Sk. *yāśaḥ* > *yaso* G,D,J. *yaśo* or *yaśo* K, *yaso* M.

Sk. *vāyaḥ* > *vayo* PE.

(iii) Change -aḥ > -e is generally met with in edicts other than G and S.

Sk. *jānaḥ* > *janē* S,M,K,D,J,PE, but *jano* S,G.

Sk. *-priyaḥ* > *-piye* everywhere, but *priyo* or *piyo* S,M,G.

§ 10. Treatment of the vowel *a* in a metrically long syllable : The vowel, though mostly preserved, becomes *ā* in a few cases.¹⁴

Sk. **rājju-ka* > *rājūka*- G, yr, *rajuka*- S,M, *lajūka*- K,D,PE.

Sk. *vaktavya*- > *vātavā* bh, but *vatava*- S, *vatavya* G, *vataviya*- M,K, D,d,j, and Mysore group.

Sk. *pūnarvasu*- > *punāvasū*- PE.

Sk. *anyātra* > *ānata* K, but *anata* K,D, *añatra* S,M,G, *annata* D,J,PE.

The change of -a- > -i- in a metrically long syllable is found in Sk. *ghastha* > *gihitha*- K,T, but *gahatha*- K,M, *gharasta*- G, and *grahatha*- S. The fact that both the forms with -i- and -a- are found in K shows that this treatment is dependent upon the corresponding change of *ṛ*- > *a*- or *i*-.

§ 11. Treatment of the vowel *i* in a metrically short syllable : The vowel is overwhelmingly preserved. Yet it undergoes the following few changes.

1. Change *i*- > *a*- due to dissimilation is observed in :

Sk. *piplikā*- > *kapilika*- T, Rdh, Mth, Rp, but *kipilikā*- Ksb.

Sk. *pṛthivī* > *-pūthavī*- d. It must be noted that the Sk. vowel -i- which becomes -a- is a svarabhakti vowel.

2. Change (v)i- > u- is observed in such cases as :

Sk. *dvitiya*- > *duliya*- ng., kq.

Sk. *svid* > *su* d, j.

3. Change *i*- > *e*- may be witnessed in Sk. *tri-daśa*- > *tredaśa*- M, *tedasa*- K, D, but *tidaśa*- s.¹⁵

13. In Vedic Sk. we get the form *yātrā* also.

14. Besides the instances noted above also cf. *sāva* (< Sk. *sārva*-) at K. other versions including K show short *a* ; Sk. *dākṣiṇa*- > *-dākhina*- T. Mi, Ksb, Rp., but *-dakhinā*- Rdh, Mth ; Sk. *āgātya* > *āgāca* rm, ng ; Sk. *pranaptṛ*- > *panāti*- K, but *panati*- D, *paṇati*- M, *prānati*- S.

15. For G *traiḍasa* cf. *supra* §6.

4. The vowel *i* is often lengthened in prepositions, suffixes and before the loss of final consonant or visarga.

Sk. *pratibhāga* > *paṭibhāga*- G, *paṭibhāga*- K.S. T almost invariably gives *paṭi*- for Sk. *prati*-.

Sk. *-abhikāra* > *-abhikāra*- G, *-abhikāla*- D, *-ābhikara*- S.M, *-abhikala*- K.

Sk. *sthitika* > *-ṭhitika*- D,J,PE,sc,bh,br,sd,Kpb, but *-ṭhitika*- M,T,ru,s,b, *-thitika* S,T,Mi, *-thitikya*- K.

Sk. *līpiḥ* > *līpi* d,j, but *līpi* D,sn.

Sk. *prakṛtiḥ* > *paṁkilī* sd, *pakilī* br,sd, but *pakiti* jtr.

Sk. *etāsmin* > *etamhi* G, but *etasi* d, j.

This change in the quantity of the vowel is also sometimes observed before the case terminations.

Sk. *jñātīsu* > *ñātisu*- G, also cf. *amtevēsisu* yr.

Sk. *ṛājabhīḥ* > **lājihi* > *lājihi* T.

5. Initially *i*- is lost only in a few cases.

Sk. *idānim* > *dāni* MRE (*dāni* Kpb) but *idāni* S,M,K.

Sk. *itī* > *ti* in all versions; *itī* is sometimes obtained in G,D.

§ 12. Treatment of the vowel *i* in a metrically long syllable: The vowel is mostly preserved, but sometimes it is changed to *ī* or *e*.

Sk. *nir√lakṣ-* > *nīlakha*- PE. Rp once gives *nilakha*-.

Sk. *viṁśatī-* > *viśatī*- rm, ng, bb and other PE. Once in *satavisatī-vasa*, however, T gives short *i*-. The presence of the long vowel may even be regarded as the preservation of IE long *i*- which is noticed in AV. *viśatī*, Lat. *uiginti*.¹⁶

Sk. *cikitsā-* > *cikīcha*- G, but *cikichā*- S,M,DJ.

Sk. *avihimsā-* > *avihīsā*- G, but *avihisā*- in other versions, *avihimsā*- G,T.

The change of *i* > *e*- may be noticed in the following plausible example: Sk. **i-tra* > *eta* G,D, *etra* S, *hetā*. So,K,D,J,Kq,S.

§ 13. Treatment of the vowel *u* in a metrically short syllable. Though the vowel is preserved in a large majority of cases, sometimes it becomes *a*, *i*, *ū* or *o*.

1. Change *u* > *a* may be instanced in Sk. *pūnar* > *pana* S,M,D,J, (but *punā* S,M,G,K,) and Sk. *gurū-* > *garu-* S,G,yr, *garuta-* br., *galu-* K (but *guru-* S,M,G, *gulu-* K,D,J). But as has been already noticed the latter forms are to be compared with Sk. *gāriyas-* and *gariṣṭha-*.

2. Change *u* > *i* occurs in such cases as,

Sk. *pūruṣa-* > *pulisa*-¹⁷ PE, d, j.

Sk. *mānuṣa-* > *munisa*-¹⁸ K,D,J,PE,MRE, but *manuṣa*- S,M,K, *manusa*- G, *mānuṣa*- Kpb.

Sk. *Purinda-* > *Pilada*- K, but *Pulida*- S, *Pārimda*- G, and *Pālimda*- M.

3. Change *u* > *ū* occurs sometimes before case terminations.

Sk. *bahūbhiḥ* > *bahūhi* G,D,J, but *bahuhi* S,K.

16. See BLOCH, *L'Indo-Aryen*, p. 37.

17. The vowel which undergoes the change is a svarabhakti vowel cf. the change *i* > *a* in similar circumstances, *supra* § 11.

18. This is only an analogical form after *purisa*-.

Sk. *bahūsu* > *bahūsu* D,J,PE.

Sk. *gurūsu* > *gurūsu* yr.

It is also lengthened due to loss of visarga.

Sk. *sādhūh* > *sādhū* D,T, other versions give short -u.

Sk. *vaseyuh* > *vasevū* D, others give short -u.

For some sporadic lengthening of the vowel *u* cf,

Sk. $\sqrt{yuj-}$ > $\sqrt{yūja-}$ d,j.

Sk. *pratyupagamana-* > *pacūpagamana-* T, Rdh, Mth, Rp, but
pacupagamana- Ksb.

Sk. **mādhuratā-* > *mādhūratā-* G, but other versions show short *u*.

The vowel *u* is lengthened in its final position when followed by *ti* (< Sk. *iti*), or sometimes even without it.

Sk. *jānantu iti* > *jānāntū ti* MRE.

Sk. *bhavatu iti* > *hotū ti* PE, also cf. *ālādhāntū ti*.

Sk. *yuñjantu* > *yujāntū* D, but *yujāntu* M,G,K, also cf. *pañthesū* G, but *maḡesu* in other versions.

Sometimes, however, the vowel -ā- is shortened in Sandhi and in compounds.

§ 14. Treatment of the vowel *u* in a metrically long syllable : The vowel is only exceptionally lengthened in such cases as :

Sk. *anāyuktika-* > *anāvūtiya-* d, but *anāvutiya-* j.

Sk. **niṣṭhurya-* > *niṣṭhūliya-* d, j, PE.

Sk. *anūpratipanna-* > *anūpaṭipanna-* T. The change may even be attributed to analogy with similar lengthening of *i* in prepositions.

§ 15. In the case of long vowels *ā*, *i* and *ū* it is to be remembered that as the Kharoṣṭhī alphabet does not mark the length of the vowels such long vowels are absent in S and M. Hence in these versions at S and M the short vowels sometimes stand for long ones.

§ 16. Treatment of the vowel *ā* followed by a single consonant : The vowel is almost invariably preserved. Such cases as *dana-* (for *dāna-*), *papa-* (for *pāpa-*) are clearly due to scribal mistakes. *-aparadha-* in G is to be derived from the root $\sqrt{radh-}$ used in the same sense as $\sqrt{rādh-}$ ¹⁹

Sk. *mahānasa-* > *mahanasa-* D, (S,M), but *mahānasa* G,K.

Sk. *mahāmātra-* > *mahamata-* Kq, but other versions give forms with *mahā-*.

Sk. *mahādhanā-* > *mahadhana-* yr.

The vowel -ā in its final position²⁰ is sometimes shortened in the declined forms of the nom. sg. or inst. sg.

Sk. *rājā* > *rāja* G, *lāja* K,D,T,bb, *laja* S,M, but *rājā* G, *lājā* K,D,J,T,b.

Sk. *icchā* > *icha* S,M,K,d,j, but *ichā* G,K,PE.

Sk. *ālmānā* > *atana* Rdh, Mth, Rp, but *atanā* T, Ksb.

Similarly the vowel *ā* is sometimes shortened in the eastern dialect when it is followed by *m* (which is changed into anusvāra) or when the visarga at the end is lost.

19. Cf. HULTZSCH, p. lvi.

20. It is perhaps shortened due to the loss of final consonant in Sk. *syāt* > *siya* PE, j, (S, M), but *siyā* K, d, j, PE, MRE, Sk. *manāk* (?) > *mina* or *mana* PE (*minā* Mi).

Sk. *bhūtānām* > *bhūtānam* (G), D, J, K, T, but *bhūtānām* G.

Sk. *putrāḥ* > *puta* K, D, J, but *putrā* G (*putra* S, M).

§ 17. Treatment of the vowel *ā* followed by a consonant cluster : It is in this treatment that the regional distinction is clearly noticed. Whereas in the Western division the long vowel is preserved, it is usually shortened at other places. *

Sk. *ātyayika* > *ācāyika* G, (*acayika* S, M) but *atīyāyika* K, D, J.

Sk. *mārdava* > *mādava* G, *madava* K, T.

Sk. *prakrānta* > *pakamta* MRE.

When a cluster with a nasal follows the long vowel *ā*, it is shortened to *a* even in G. If the long *ā* is preserved in the inscriptions then the anusvāra is dropped or the cluster is assimilated.

Sk. *Tāmaparṇi* > *Tambapaṇṇi* G, K, J, S, *tambapaṇi* M.

Sk. *klānta* > *kīlānta* d, j.

Sk. *kṣānti* > *chāti* G, *chānti* S, *khamti* K.

Sk. *ā/ñāp* > *ā/ñāpa* G, *ā/ñāpa* K, D, J, T, Kb. *ā/ñāpa* br, (*a/ñāpa* S, M).

Sk. *ātmanā* > *atanā* PE, *atane* d, j.

§ 18. Treatment of the vowel *ī* followed by a single consonant : In this position the vowel is fairly well preserved. It is only in the Kālsī version that the vowel is often represented as short one. In *timni* (< Sk. *trīṇi*) we find that the vowel is shortened and a nasal is added to it. Therefore such forms as *devīnam* and *anusathini* may be regarded according to HULTZSCH, as defective spelling for *devīnam* and *anusathimni*.

Sk. *jīvā* > *jīva* K (S, M) but *jīva* G, D, J, PE.

Sk. *dīpana* > *dīpana* K (S, M), but *dīpana* G.

Sk. *śīla* > *śīla* G, D, K (*śīla* S, M).

The nom. sg. of fem. nouns ending in *-ī* generally ends in long *-ī* in G and the Mysore group, but it ends in short *-i* elsewhere. In the case of the nom. sg. of mas. nouns ending in *-in*, the short vowel is noticed at G, S, M, PE, and the long vowel at D, J, Ksb and *ī* in K and MRE.

For some sporadic shortenings of *ī* cf. the following instances :

Sk. *pīpīlikā* > *kapilika* Rdh, Mth, Rp, *kipīlikā* ksb, but *kapilika* T.

Sk. *mīśribhūta* > *misibhūta* mk.

Sk. *dvītiya* > *dūtiya* ng, kq.

Sk. *āśvāsāniya* > *asvāsāniya* d, j, (also cf. *davīya* d).

The long vowel *ī* is changed to its guṇa substitute in Sk. *īdṛśa* > *hedisa* K, D, J, sn, *edīsa* S, M.

§ 19. Treatment of the vowel *ī* before a consonant cluster : As is noticed in the case of the vowel *ā* before a consonant cluster, this vowel also is usually shortened in all edicts except at G.

Sk. *kīṇi* > *kiti* G, *kiti* M, D, J, *kiṭri* S, *kiti* G, K.

Sk. *īṣyā* > *isā* d, j, *isyā* PE.²¹

Sk. *dīrghāyus* > *dīghāvusa* br, sd, but *dīghāvusa* sd, jtr (*dīgha* HLZ.)

21. The long vowel *ī* is, however, preserved in PE in the form *paṭīkhā* (< Sk. *parīkṣā*).

§ 20. Treatment of the vowel *ū* before a simple consonant : It is usually kept long in all versions except those at S, M, (and K). The form *thuba-* occurring at ng. is not to be derived from Sk. *stūpa-* but from $\sqrt{stubh-}$. The short vowel in *bhuya-* (Sk. *bhūyas*), which is found in Major RE suggests that it is probably to be read as *bhuyya-*. For some irregular shortenings of *ū* at K we may compare such instances as—

Sk. *sūpa-* > *supa-* K, (S, M), but *sūpa-* G, D, J.

Sk. *mayūra-* > *majūla-* K (S, M), but *majūla-* J.

Sk. *pūjā-* > *puja-* (S, M), but *pūjā-* G, RE.

The treatment of the long *ū* in Sk. *śusrūṣā* is rather irregular. Cf. *sususā-* K, J, T, *susrusā-* and *susumsā-* (note the compensatory addition of anusvāra) G, $\sqrt{sususa-}$ D, jtr. But *śusrūṣā-* G, *susūsā-* D, PE, $\sqrt{susūsā-}$ J, br, sd, (*śusrūṣa-* S, M).

§ 21. Treatment of the vowel *ū* before a consonant cluster. In this case the vowel is shortened in all versions including the one at G.

Sk. *-pūrva-* > *-pūrva-* or *-puva-* G, *-pruva-* S, M, *puluva-* K, D, J.

Sk. *dūṣya-* > *dusa-* sn., sc., kb.

The long vowel is, however, met with in such forms as *-sūta-* (< Sk. *sūtra-*) at bh, *-sūriya-* and *-śūliya-* (< Sk. *sūrya-*) at sc. and nj respectively.

§ 22. Treatment of the vowel *e* : It is preserved in these inscriptions almost rigorously even when followed by a consonant cluster. It is only in such rare forms as *ika-* (Sk. *eka-*) at sn. that the vowel undergoes any change. In S, however, a tendency is noticed to change the final *-e* to *-i*.²²

Sk. *dvé* > *duvi* S, but *duve* elsewhere.

Sk. *ṛājānāḥ* > (**ṛājāne*) > *rajani* S, but *rajane* M and *lājāne* D, J, T.

§ 23. Treatment of the vowel *o* : This vowel is also extremely well preserved even when followed by a consonant cluster. It is shortened to *u* only as a sandhi peculiarity.

Sk. *ekona-* > *ekuna-* bb.

Sk. *prajotpādana-* > *pajupādana-* S.

II. SIMPLE CONSONANTS

§ 24. Generally, simple consonants are well preserved both initially and medially. The processes of sonantisation, loss of occlusion and others by which intervocal consonants suffer numerous changes in later Prakrits, though not altogether absent in Aś. inscriptions, have only just begun to appear in them. The law of cerebralisation too has only partial application.²³

§ 25. Gutturals :

(a) On the whole the gutturals are initially preserved. In G, the form *gharasta-* is not an instance of initial aspiration, for the MIA base *ghara-* is to be derived from IE **g^hhoros-*, and not from Sk. *grhā-* (for the latter derivation cf. V. 4.32 and H. 2.144).

(b) Medially the gutturals undergo a few changes²⁴ which are detailed below :

22. For a similar tendency in the Kharoṣṭhī documents of Chinese Turkestan cf. BURNOW, §1.

23. A few changes which are due to assimilation and dissimilation as well as some other exceptions are generally indicated in fn.

24. Change *-k-* > *-kh-* due to assimilation. Sk. *akarkaśā-* > *akhakhāṣa-* d.

1. Change of surd to sonant is instanced by *-k-* > *-g-* in the East.

Sk. *-loká-* > *-loga-* j, but *-loka-* everywhere else.

Sk. *adhikṛtya-* > *adhigicya-* bh.

The foreign name Antiochos appears as *Antiyoga-* K (M), but *Antiyoka-* S,G,D,J.

2. Change of a guttural to y found with *-k-*²⁵ and *-g-* has occurred only in the suffix. The change is perhaps an eastern characteristic (?).

Sk. *anāyuktika-* > *anāvūtiya-* d, j.

Sk. (*paśu-* etc.) + *upa-ga-* > *upaya-* S,M,G,K,D, but *-upaga-* G, K,D,J,d,T.

Sk. *ardhatrika* > *adhātiya-* MRE.

3. Change of a sonant to surd is instanced by *-g-* > *-k-* in the North, North-West and the South.

Sk. *Maga-* > *Maka-* S,M,K, but *Maga-* G. Also cf. the name Antigonos which appears as *Antekina-* S,M,K,G.

Sk. *-upa-ga-* > *-upaka-* S,M, cf. above for other forms.

Sk. *ārogya-* > **āroga-* > *āroka-* yr, but *ārogiya-* br, sd.

4. Change *-gh-* > *-h-* by loss of occlusion:

Sk. *laghú-* > *lahu-* G,K,T.

§ 26. Palatals:

- (a) In their initial position they are well preserved.

- (b) In the medial position the following few changes may be noted.

1. Change of a surd to sonant is found with *-c-* > *-j-* in the non-Western regions.

Sk. *acala-* > *ajalā-* d, but *acala-* j.

Sk. *sāṃkuci* > *saṃkuja-* PE.

2. Change of a palatal to *-y-* is instanced only by *-j-* in the North-West.

Sk. *Kamboja-* > *Kamboya-* S, but *-j-* is given by M,K,G.

Sk. *rājan-* > *raya-* S, but other edicts give the forms with *-j-*.

Sk. *samāja-* > *samaya-* S, *samāja-* S,M,G,K,D,J.

3. Change of a sonant to surd is found with *-j-* > *-c-*. Its appearance in the Western and North-Western regions may be attributed to the Eastern influence.

Sk. *Kamboja-* > *Kamboca-* D, for other forms cf. above.

Sk. *vraja* > *vaca-* D,J,G,K, *vraca-* S,M, √*vraca-* S.

§ 27. Cerebrals:

- (a) The forms with initial cerebral are only conspicuous by their absence in Aś. inscriptions. The loss of initial cerebralisation is found in a single instance.

Sk. *ḍulī-* > *duḍī-* or *daḍī-* PE

- (b) In the medial position the cerebrals, with the exception of *-ṇ-* are well preserved.²⁶

1. Change of *-ṭ-* > *-ḍ-* occurs in the Centre and the North.

Sk. *-vāṭikā-* > *-vaḍikā-* Kq, *-vaḍikyā-* T.

2. Change *-ḍ-* > *-ṭ-* occurs in the non-Western groups.

Sk. *eḍaka-* > *eṭaka-* PE, but *eḍaka-* T; Rdh, Mth.

25. The forms *diyadhā-* M,K and *diyādhiya-* MRE are derived from Sk. *dvikārdha-* and instanced as the change *-k-* > *-y-* by HULTZSCH. But these forms are to be derived from *dvyardha-*; also cf. TURNER, *Gavimath and Palkigundu Insc.*, p. 11, in. 2.

26. Only *-ṭh* > *-ṭ-* by loss of aspiration. Cf. Sk. *kamaṭha-* > *kaphaṭa-* PE.

Sk. *dvādaśā* > *duvāḍasa* and *duvāḷasa* PE, also cf. *pañnaḍasa* and *pañnaḷasa* (< Sk. *pañcadaśā*) in PE.

3. The cerebral *-ṇ-* is usually preserved in the Western and North-Western groups and at Mysore and Kopbāl in the South. Elsewhere it is changed to *-n-*.²⁷

Sk. *kāraṇa-* > *kāraṇa-* S,G, *kālana-* K,PE, *kāraṇa-* yr.

Sk. *ṣaurāṇa-* > *ṣorāṇa-* br, sd, jtr, *ṣorāṇa-* yr.

Sk. *srāvaṇa-* > *sāvaṇa-* br, sd, jtr, kpb, *sāvana-* ru,s,yr,T.

§ 28. Dentals :

(a) In the initial position the dentals are well preserved. The change of *t-* > *d-* is found in a solitary case in the North.

Sk. *toṣa-* > *dosa-* K, but *toṣa-* S,M, *tosa-* G,J,d.

(b) In the medial position though they are usually preserved, the following few changes may be noted.

1. Change of *-ī-* > *-d-* is met with in the North and the North-West.

Sk. *hitā-* > *hida-* S,M,K, but *hita-* S,M,G,K,D,J,PE.

Sk. *-yātrā* > *-yadra-* M, *-yātā-* G,K,D.

Sk. *hāpayiṣyati* > *hapeśadi* S, but *-ti* in other edicts.

2. Change *-d-* > *-ī-* is perhaps instanced in the East.

Sk. *prati*√*pad-* : cf. the forms of *paṭi*√*pāla-* in j. The derivation of these forms is however highly doubtful. The versions at d and T give forms with *paṭi*√*pāda-*.

3. Change *-dh-* > *-h-* by loss of occlusion :

Sk. *nyagródha-* > *nigoha-* T, bb.

Sk. *vi*√*dhā-* > *vi*√*daha-* PE.

4. Change *-dh-* > *-d-* by loss of aspiration :

Sk. **idha* > **hidha* > *hida* in all versions except G, *idha* G, JOHANSSON connects *hida* with Vedic *idā* 'now'.

Sk. *skandha-* > *-khaṁda-* G perhaps by metathesis of aspiration, but *-kaṁdha-* S,M,K,D.

5. Loss of *-t-* and insertion of *-v-* is found in the numeral :

Sk. *cāturdaśa-* > *cāvudasa-* PE.

6. Loss of *-d-* is met with only in the West²⁸ (and the South).

Sk. *tādṛśa-* > **tādrisa-* > *tārisa-* G, but *tādisa-* K,D,J, *tadiśa-* S,M.

Sk. *yādṛśa-* > **yādrisa-* > *yārisa-* G,yr, but *ādisa-* K,D,J,M, *yadiśa-* S.

§ 29. Labials :

(a) In the initial position they are well preserved.²⁹

1. Change of *b-* > *p-* is met with only in a single instance in the North-West.

Sk. *bāḍham* > *paḍham* S (but S also gives *baḍhatarām*), elsewhere we get *bāḍham* or *bāḍha*.

27. As exceptions *gāraṇa-* (< Sk. *garhaṇā-*) at S, *bramaṇa-* (< Sk. *brāhmaṇā-*) at M, and *khaṇa-* (< Sk. *kṣaṇa-*) at d may be noted.

28. This loss of occlusion in the West compares well with the later Māhārāṣṭrī characteristic.

29. *p-* > *ph-* due to assimilation in Sk. *paraṣa-* > *phalusa-* d, j. *p-* > *k-* due to dissimilation in Sk. *pīḷikā-* > *kapīḷikā* PE (*ki-* Ksb).

2. Change *bh- > h-* occurs only in the forms of the root $\sqrt{bhū}$ in all versions perhaps as an Eastern characteristic (cf. *hoti*, *hotu* etc.), for the forms with *bh-* occur only in the West and the North-West (cf. such forms as *bhoti*, *bhavati*, *bhave*).

(b) In the medial position the following few changes which occur only in limited instances may be noted.

1. Change *-p- > -b-* is met with only in the North at Delhi-Topra.

Sk. *lipi- > -libi-* T, but *lipi-* occurs in Major Rock Edicts, MRE and other PE (including T).

2. Change *-p- > -v-* is noted in a single case.

Sk. *pra√āp- > √pāva-* s, *√pāpa-* elsewhere.

3. Change *-bh- > -p-* is apparently due to mistake or it may be due to assimilation.

Sk. *prati-bhoga- > paṭi-poga-* Rdh, but *-bhoga-* in other PE, S,M,K.

4. Change *-bh- > -h-* by loss of occlusion.

Sk. $\sqrt{labh-} > \sqrt{laha-}$ d,j,kb.

Sk. instr. pl. term. *-bhiḥ > -hi* in all versions.

5. Change *-bh- > -b-* by loss of aspiration³⁰:

Sk. **stubha- > thuba-* ng. If the form is derived from Sk. *stūpa-* then the change *-p- > -b-* is instanced.

6. Change *-m- > -ph-* by metathesis of aspiration:

Sk. *kamaṭha- > *kaṭaṭha- > kaphaṭa-* PE.

§ 30. Semivowels: With the exception of *r* which is dialectically changed to *l* in certain groups, semivowels are normally preserved in these inscriptions.

§ 31. The semi-vowel *y*:

1. The semi-vowel *-y- > -j-* in one instance.

Sk. *mayūra*³¹ *> majura-* S, M. *majūla-* K, J.

2. It is elided both initially and intervocally. In the initial position, elision occurs mostly in the indeclinables and relative pronouns.

Sk. *yātra > yatra* or *yatā* S,M,G,K,s, *ata* K,D,J,T.

Sk. *yāthā > yathā* S,M,G,K,PE,sd, *athā* K,D,J,PE.

Sk. *yāvat > yava-* S,M,G,PE, ru, *āvā* or *avam* S,M,G,K,D,PE.

Sk. *yādīśa- > *yāriśa-* G, *yadiśa-* S, *ādisa-* M,K,D,J.

Sk. *yat* (adverb) *> yaṃ* Major RE and Mysore group, *aṃ* M,K,d,j.

Sk. *yat* (Pron.) *> ye*, *yaṃ* or *ya* S,M,GK,MRE, *e* or *aṃ* M,K,D,J,jtr.

It can thus be noticed that the Eastern dialect drops the initial *y-* but the Western dialect favours its preservation. Its occasional elision in the non-Eastern areas is very likely due to the Eastern influence.

Intervocally the elision is observed exclusively in the North-Western region.

Sk. *priyā- > priā-* S (about 4 or 5 times), all other versions including S give *priya-* or *piya-*.

Sk. **ekatya- > *ekatiya- > ekatia-* S, but *ekatiya-* K,D,J,M.

Sk. *dyadha- > *diyaḍha- > S*, but *diyaḍha-* M,K,
diyaḍhiya- MRE.

30. Similar loss of aspiration is perhaps instanced in *-ph- > -p-* in the form *tupaka* (gen. 2nd pers. pron.) at ru, but cf. *tuphāka-* d, j, *tuphākam* sn.

31. The G form *mora* is regarded by TURNER to be a loan word, cf. BSOS 4.363.

It is interesting to note that in all these cases where S drops intervocal -y-, the Mānsehrā version which is so near to it always preserves -y-. But it is well-known that the latter has more 'Magadhisms'.

3. In some cases -y- is elided and -v- is developed mostly in the presence of u. The tendency is seen in the non-Western regions.

Sk. *dirghāyus-* > *dirghāvusa-* br, sd, jtr.

Sk. *āyukti-* > *āvuti-* d, PE, but *āyuti-*³² j.

Sk. *viṣaya-* > *viṣava-* S, sn, *visava-* K, but *viṣaya-* M and *visaya-* G.

The interchange between -y- and -v- is also noticed in the optative term. -*eyu* : -*evu*.

Sometimes y- is developed initially³³ perhaps as a non-Western characteristic.

Sk. *evā* > *yeṇā* M,K,D,J,PE, but *eva* S,K,G.

§ 32. Initially r- is preserved in the Western and North-Western divisions³⁴ but is consistently changed to l- in other places.

Sk. **rājñā-ka-* > *rājuka-* S,M,G, *lājñaka-* K,D,PE.

Sk. *rājan-* > *rājā* S,M,G,So, *lājā*, K,D,J,PE and MRE.

Intervocally -r- submits to the same treatment as in the initial position, with only a few exceptions.³⁵ Among MRE the South Indian inscriptions at Mysore, Kopbāl and Yerrāguḍi preserve -r- but at Maski -r- > -l- (or -r-). Other MRE in the East and the Centre change -r- > -l-, with only a few exceptions at the latter place.

Sk.	G(SO)	S,M.	K,D,J	PE
<i>cāraṇa-</i>	- <i>caraṇa-</i>	- <i>cāraṇa-</i>	- <i>calana-</i>	- <i>calana-</i>
<i>cirā-</i>	<i>cira-</i>	<i>cira-</i>	<i>cila-</i>	<i>cila-</i>
Sk.	PE	MRE		
		Mysore, Yr, Kpb	Other MRE	
<i>paurāṇa-</i>		<i>porāṇa-</i> , or - <i>na-</i>		
<i>sātireka-</i>		<i>sātireka-</i>	<i>sātīleka-</i> ru.	
<i>vatsara-</i>		<i>-vachara-</i>	(<i>sātireka-</i> mk)	
			<i>-vachala-</i> s.	
			(<i>vachara-</i> ru)	
<i>cirā-</i>		<i>cira-</i>	<i>cila-</i> s, b.	
			(<i>cira-</i> ru)	
<i>sūrya-</i>	<i>-suliya-</i> nj		Also cf. <i>galava-</i> bh ;	
	<i>-suliya-</i> T		Sk. <i>udāra-</i> > <i>uḍala-</i>	
	<i>-suriya-</i> sc.		ru, mk, s, b etc.	
			Sk. $\sqrt{kar-}$ > $\sqrt{kāla-}$	
			mk.	

§ 33. Initially l- is well preserved. Intervocally it is changed to -ḍ- in just a few cases.

32. This reading is accepted by HLZ. Others read *āvuti-*.

33. For similar development in the Niya Prakrit, cf. BURROW, §32.

34. The forms of the root $\sqrt{laca-}$ at G, S, M (S has $\sqrt{raca-}$ also) are regarded by HULTZSCH as 'Magadhisms'. But in Sk. itself we have $\sqrt{loc-}$ connected with $\sqrt{roc-}$.

35. Sk. *sāra-* > *sāla-* S, M, K, but *sāra-* G. Sk. *aparibodha-* (?) > *qpalibodha-* S,M,K,D.

Sk. *mahilā* > *mahiḍā* G.

Sk. *Cola* > *Coḍa* Major RE

Sk. *Kerala* > *Keraḍa* S, but *-la-* in other versions.

Sk. *ḍuli* > *daḍi* or *duḍi* PE

§ 34. The semi-vowel *v* :

1. Initially *v-* is generally preserved, its stray change to *p*³⁶ being due to assimilation. Thus Sk. *vipula* > *ṭipula* ru., elsewhere we get *vipula*.

2. In the cluster *dv*, *v* is changed to *b* in the West and North-West.

Sk. *dvādaśā* > *dbādasa* G. *badaya* S, but other versions give *duvādaśa* or *duvāḍasa*.

3. Intervocally *-v-* is normally preserved. When clustered with *t*, it is changed to *-p-* in the West (cf. *dv-* > *db-* above).

Sk. *catvāraḥ* > *catpāro* G, *catvare* S, *catāli* K.

Absolute term. *-tvā* > *-tpā* G, *-tu* in other versions.

4. Intervocally *-v-* is lost only in the West [cf. above §27(b) 3 and footnote].

Sk. *sthāvira* > *thāira* G.

5. *v-* is initially developed³⁷ before *u-* in the following :

Sk. *ūḍha* > *vuḍha* S,M,G,K.

Sk. *√uc-* > *√vuca* S,M,G, *vuta* G,D.

Sk. *upta* > *vuta* S.

§ 35. Sibilants :

In MIA languages the three Sk. sibilants are often merged together into the single dental sibilant. In Aś. inscriptions which are the best representatives of the early MIA we find a threefold treatment of the sibilants in all their positions.

(i) S,M preserve the distinction between the three sibilants ; (ii) the rest, except K, show only the dental sibilant *s*. It is important to note that even the Eastern dialect shows *s* and not *ś* ; (iii) as regards the treatment of the sibilants in K it would be best to quote the remarks made by HULTZSCH. "In edicts I-IX the Kālsī dialect agrees with the Girnar one in replacing the two sibilants *ś* and *sh* by *s* (though *-ś-* occurs in K IV twice. cf. *vaśa*, *Piyadaśinā*) In a few cases *ṣ* is used where Sk. would require it. . . . But in the majority of instances *sh* and *ś* are phonetically and etymologically impossible. . . . To explain this state of matters, we have to suppose that the writer spoke a dialect which knew no sibilants besides *s*, and that he used the letters *ś* and *sh* indiscriminately for expressing the same sibilant (*s*). In other words, the letters *ś* and *sh* at Kālsī are purely graphical" ³⁸

Sk. *śrāvaka* > *śravaka* S, M, *srāvāpaka* G, *sāvaka* K, D, J.

Sk. *śuśrūṣā* > *suśruṣa* S,M, *susumsā* G, *susūsā* K,D,J,PE *susūsa*, MRE.

Sk. *-daśā-* > *-daśa-* S,M, *-dasa-* G,K,D,J,PE (*-ḍasa-*), MRE.

Sk. *mānuṣa* > *manuśa* S,M,K, *manuṣa* K, *manusa* G,K,D,J, *munisa* PE, MRE, *mānuṣa* Kpb.

The following few exceptions may, however, be noted.

36. The form *vāḷata* at ru I. 4 is connected by BÜHLER with Sk. *paratra*, but by HULTZSCH with Sk. *vāra-taḥ*.

37. This is a characteristic of local pronunciation in the Niyā Prakrit, cf. BURROW §32.

38. Cf. Aś. Ins. p. lxxii ; also cf. Jules BLOCH, "Aśoka et la Magadhi" BSOS 6.291-95.

(a) In the treatment of palatal ś :

Sk. *śuśrūṣā-* > *suśruṣa-* S,M. Note the initial s- and not ś- due to dissimilation.

Sk. *anuśocana-* > *anusocana-* S.

Sk. *Śākya* > *Śaka-* mk. Note initial ś instead of s-.

(b) In the treatment of the cerebral ṣ :

Sk. *abhiṣikta-* > *abhisita-* S,M, *abhiṣita-* nj. Thus -s- and -ṣ- occur where they are not expected to be.

Sk. *mānuṣa* > *manuṣa-* S,M. Note -ś- for -s-.

Sk. *viṣaya-* > *viṣava-* sn.

Sk. *eṣaḥ* > *eṣe* kq.

Sk. *varṣa-* > *vaṣa-* mk.

* The other exceptions in S and M occur in terminations : cf. loc. pl. *yesu*, gen. pl. *ubhayesaṃ* (M), *ubhayesu* (S), futures in *-iṣati* and *-eṣati* etc.

(c) In the treatment of the dental s :

Sk. *saṃśayika-* > *śaśayika-* M (due to assimilation).

Sk. *satyā-* > *śaca-* sd.

Śk. *svargā-* > *śvaga-* b.

Sk. *śāsana-* > *śaśana-* S, M (due to assimilation).

Sk. *ūpāsaka-* > *upāśaka-* mk.

Other exceptions occur in terminations. cf. *ṣaṣu*, *pañcaṣu* etc. at S, M, *Devānām-piyaṣā* at kq, and *ācariyaṣa* at jtr.

The change of -s- > -h- is sometimes observed in the future endings like *-hattha* and *-hamti*.

§ 36. The aspirate *h* is well preserved both initially and medially. It is, however, lost in a few cases in the North-West.

Sk. *hastin-* > *asti-*³⁹ S,M, but *hasti-* G, *hatthi-* D,K.

Sk. *ihā* > *ia* S,M; but *iha* S,M,K.

Sk. *māma* : Pkt. *maha* > *maa* S; other versions have *mama*.

Sk. *āha* > *āa* M (once VI 26), otherwise we get *āhā*.

Sk. *ahām* > *aam* M, but *aham* or *hakam* elsewhere.

There are certain instances of cockneyism where *h-* is developed initially before a vowel. cf.

Sk. *idṛṣa-* > *heḍisa-* K, *hedisa-* D,J,sn, but *ediṣa-* S,M, *edisa-* K,D,J, *etārīsa-* (< Sk. *etāḍṛṣa-*) G.

Sk. *evam* > *hevam* K,d,j,T,Rp,MRE, but *evam* S,M,K,D,G.

Sk. **i-tra* > *hetā*. So, K,D,J,kq,s, but *etra*, S,M, *eta*, G,D.

§ 37. Palatalisation :

By the law of palatalisation sometimes the dentals and occasionally even the gutturals are palatalised mostly in the presence of the vowel *i* or the semi-vowel *y*. Except the palatalisation of -k- and -g- in the North, and that of -t- in the East, this feature is mainly a characteristic of the West and the North-West (and also of the South).

1. Gutturals : Following gutturals are palatalised in the circumstances noted below.

39. This is HULTZSCH'S reading, others read *hasti-*.

- (i) The gutturals -k- and -g- are palatalised⁴⁰ at K and T in the North.

Sk. *nikāyā-* > *nikyāya* K, but *nikāya-* elsewhere.

Sk. *sthitika-* > *-sthitikya-* K, but *-sthitika-* or *-sthitika-* elsewhere.

Sk. *Kalinga-* > *Kaligya-* K, *Kalinga-* elsewhere.

Sk. **aṣṭa-krośika-* > *aḍha-kosikya-* T.

Sk. *āmṛa-vāṭikā-* > *ambā-vaḍikya-* T.

- (ii) Intervocal -kh- when combined with y is once palatalised in G.

Sk. *sañ √khyā-* > *sachāya* G, but *saṃkhaya* S,M, and *saṃkhaye* K.

- (iii) Cluster kṣ : The treatment of this cluster is interesting inasmuch as in all positions it is palatalised in the West and the North-West,⁴¹ but assimilated to the guttural kh elsewhere.

Sk. *kṣudrā-* > *chuda-*⁴² G, but *kḥuda-* K,D,J,MRE.

Sk. *kṣaṇa-* > *chaṇa-* S,M,G, but *kḥana-* d, j.

Sk. *mokṣa-* > *mocha-* S,M, but *mokha-* K,D,J.

Sk. *pakṣi-* > *pakhi-* PE.

2. Dentals : The following dentals, mostly in combination with y, are palatalised. We get a few instances of initial palatalisation also.

- (i) Dental t- is initially palatalised in the East in the presence of the palatal vowel i-.

Sk. *tiṣṭha-* > *√ciṭha-* M,K,D, but *√tiṭha-* S, *√tiṣṭa-* G.

- (ii) Cluster -ty- : It is mostly palatalised in the regions other than the Eastern, where it is dissolved into -liy-.

Sk. *ātyayika-* > *acayika*, S,M, *atīyāyika-* K,D,J.

Sk. *satya-* > *saca-* PE, br, jtr, yr.

Sk. *adhikṛtya* > *adhigīcyā* bh, *kaca-* G.

- (iii) Cluster -ts- (or -tṣy-) : The cluster -ts- is palatalised in the West and the South but assimilated to s elsewhere.

Sk. *saṃvatsarā-* > *saṃvachala-* s, *-chara-* ru, br, sd, jtr, kpb, yr.

Sk. *cikitsā-* > *cikīcha-* G, *cikisā-* S,M,K,D,J.

But when the cluster -ts- does not occur in the body of the word but is due to the combination of consonants, it is assimilated to s everywhere.

Sk. *ut-sāha-* > *usāha-* PE.

Sk. *ut-sṛta-* > *uṣaṭa-* S,M,G,D,J, *uṣaṭa-* K.

The cluster -tsy- > -ch- in PE.

Sk. *matsya-* > *macha-* PE.

- (iv) Cluster -dy- is however, generally palatalised everywhere.

Sk. *adyā* > *aja* S,M,G,K,D,J.

Sk. *prati-√pad-ya* > (*paṭi-*) *pajamtu* PE.

But when the cluster -dy- does not occur in the body of the word it is assimilated to y.

40. See HULTZSCH p. LXXI and J. BLOCH, *L'Indo-Aryan*, p. 78. Similar palatalisation of -k- in the suffix is observed a little later in the word *devadaśikiyī* in the Jogimārā cave inscription at Rāmgarh (Dist. Sirguja, Chhota Nagpur Division).

41. It is found in the form *ch* in the Niya Prakrit. cf. BURROW, § 48.

42. The exceptional cases are *khuda-* or *khudra-* S, M, *chana-* K and *-(a)jhakha-* (< Sk. *adhyakṣa-*), and *saṃkhita-* (< Sk. *saṃkṣipta-*) G (S).

Sk. *ud-yāna* > *uyāna*- S,M,G,K,D,J.

Sk. *ud-yāma* > *uyāma*- K.

(v) Cluster *-dhy-* is palatalised to *-jh-* in all regions. But the cluster *-dh-y-* is palatalised only in the West (and North-West).

Sk. *madhyamā* > *majhama*- G, *majhima*- K,d,j,PE.

Sk. **nīdhyapti* > *nījhātī*- Major RE, *nī√jhapa*- PE.

But Sk. *a-vadh-yā* > *avadhīya*- T,Mi,Ksb, *avadhya*- T,Rdh,Mth,Rp.

Rk. *adh-y-akṣa* > *-(a)jhakha*- G, *-(a)jhacha*- M, but *-(a)dhiyakha*- K, *-(a)dhiyacha*- S.

(vi) For the palatalisation of nasals *ṇ* and *n* see below under the treatment of clusters *ṇy* and *ny*, §49 and §50.

(vii) Sibilant *ś*⁴³ > *c*- in a few cases in the East and thence in the Centre and the South.

Sk. *√śak*- > *√caka*- d,j,s,b,Kpb, but *√saka*- elsewhere.

§ 38. Cerebralisation :

By the law of cerebralisation dentals are turned into cerebrals mostly in the presence of *r*, vocalised or unvocalised, sometimes with a sibilant, and in very few cases even without any influence. It will be observed that the Western dialect is the least affected by cerebralisation.

1. Cerebralisation of the dental *t* : It is generally cerebralised in regions other than the West.

(i) Change *-(r)t* > *-t* :

Sk. *kṛtā* > *kaṭa*- S,M,K,D,PE,MRE, but *kata*- G.

Sk. *bhṛta* > *bhaṭa*- S,M,K,D, but *bhata*- G.

Sk. *nirvṛtta* > *nivṛṭa*- S,M.

(ii) Change *-rt* > *-t* :

Sk. *kārtavya* > *kaṭava*- or *kaṭaviya*- S,M,K,D,J,PE,MRE, but *katavya*- G.

Sk. *kṛtī* > *kiṭī*- M,D,J, *kiṭri*- S; but *kṛtī*- G,K.

By way of exception *-rt* > *-t* in G in the word *saṁvāṭa* < Sk. *saṁvarta*.

(iii) Change *-(r)t* > *-t* :

Sk. *prati* > *paṭi*- in all versions including G, though G gives *prati*- about four times.

(iv) Change *st* > *ṭh* occurs very rarely, for usually it is assimilated to *th*.

Sk. *stambha* > *ṭhabha*- ru, but *-ṭhabha*- or *-ṭhambha*- T,ru,s.

Sk. *āśvasta* > *asvaṭha*- Mi(once), but *asvatha*- PE.

Sk. *anusāsti* > *anusāṭhi*- K, So, but *-anusāthi*- K,D,J,T, *anusāsti*- and *-sasti*- G, *-anusāsti*- C,M. Thus here in G, *t* in combination with *s* is cerebralised to *-ṣ-* (cf. the change *-sth-* > *-ṣ-* in G below).

2. Cerebralisation of the dental *th* : It is normally not cerebralised in the West except when the dental is combined with a sibilant.

43. Initial palatalisation of *s* > *ch*- is perhaps instanced in Sk. *saṁvatsarā* > *chava-chara*- at.ru. This change is due to assimilation. But HULTZCH and THOMAS consider this form to be a mistake for *savochara*-, which occurs in the other MIRE. Earlier this form was derived by scholars from Sk. *ṣaṭ-vatsara*-.

- (i) Change *-rth-* > *-ṭh-* :
 Sk. *ārtha-* > *aṭha-* S,K,D,J,PE and MRE, but *atha-* G,S,M,K,J.
- (ii) Change *-(r-)th-* > *-ṭh-* :
 Sk. *nirgrantha-* > *niṅgāṇṭha-* T.
- (iii) Change *sth* > *ṭh* or *st* (in G) in a few cases ; otherwise the cluster is assimilated to *th*.

Sk. *sthilika-* > *ṭhilika-* M,K,D,J,Ksb,MRE, but *-thilika-* S,T,Mi,RdP.
 Mth, sc.

Sk. *sthita-* > *ṣṭita-* G.

Sk. *anasthika-* (or *an-āsthika-*) > *anaṭhika-* PE, but *anathika-* Ksb.

3. Cerebralisation of the dental *d* :

- (i) Cluster *-rd-* is never assimilated to a cerebral.
 Sk. *mārdava-* > *māḍava-* G,K,T.
 Sk. *cāturdaśa-* > *cāvudasa-* PE.
- (ii) Change *-(r-)d-* > *-ḍ-* :
 Sk. *tri-daśa-* > *treḍaśa-* M, but *tidaśa-* S, *tedasa-* K,D.
- (iii) Change *-d(r)-* > *-ḍ-* :
 Sk. *idṛṣa-* > *heḍisa-* K, but *hedisa-* S,K,D,sn, *ediśa-* S.M.
- (iv) Change *-d(-r)-* > *-ḍ-* :
 Sk. *udāra-* > *uḍāla* or *uḍāra-* MRE.
- (v) Change *-d-* > *-ḍ-* in numerals (other than *tri-daśa*).
 Sk. *dvādaśa-* > *duvāḍasa-* K,PE,MRE, *duvaḍaśa-* (also *-dasa-*) M, but
duvāḍasa- D,J.
 Sk. *pañcadaśa-* > *pañnaḍasa-* and *-lasa-* PE, *pañcadasa-* Ksb.

4. Cerebralisation of the dental *dh* : In combination with *r* it is generally not cerebralised in the West. But it is cerebralised under the influence of *ṣ*.

- (i) Change *-(r)dh-* > *-ḍh-* :
 Sk. *vṛddhi-* > *vaḍhi-* Major RE, PE, ru, but *vadh-* G.
 Sk. *vṛddhā-* > *vuḍha-* So, S,D,J, *vudha-* K, *vudhra-* M.
- (ii) Change *-rdh-* > *-ḍh-* :
 Sk. *dyardha-* > *diyaḍha-* M,K, *diadha-* S, *diyaḍhiya-* MRE.
 Sk. *vardh-* > *vaḍha-* Major RE, PE, MRE, but *√vadha-* G,M,
vaḍhiṭa- K, *vadhrita-* M (< Sk. *vardhiṭa-*).
- (iii) Change *-(ṣ-)dh-* > *-ḍh-* :
 Sk. *auṣadhā-* > *oṣuḍha-*⁴⁴ S, *asuḍha-* G, but *osadha-* K,D,J.

5. Cerebralisation of the dental *n* : This nasal is usually well preserved in all positions and in all versions. It is, however, initially changed to *ṇ-* only in the Koptal version and perhaps once in the Jaugaḍa separate edict. In the intervocal position its cerebralisation is met with usually in the West and the North-West.

Sk. *nó* > *ṇo* Kpb, but *no* elsewhere.

44. Prof. TURNER would like to derive these forms from **osṛdha*. The presence of the cerebral in the Girnar version and that of dental in the Dhauḷi and Jaugaḍa versions precludes such derivation, for as has been noted above the dentals after *r* are generally not cerebralised in G, but they regularly undergo this change in the Eastern dialect,

Sk. *ni-√dhyā-* > *ni-√jhapa*.⁴⁵ j, but *ni-√jhapa*- PE, and *nijhati*- MRE,
Sk. *dārśana* > *dasana*- G, *dasana*- G,K,D,J,So, *draśana*- M.

Sk. *pra-√āp-nu-* > *prā-√puna*- G,S, *pā-√puna*- K,d,j.

Sk. *mānuśa-* > *mānuśa*- Kpb, other versions give forms with dental -n.

Sk. *idānīm* > *dāni* Kpb, but *dāni* ru, mk, yr.

In Sk. the dental -n- of the terminations becomes -ṇ- after r or ś. This -ṇ- is replaced by the dental -n- in all versions except those in the Mysore group and the one at Kopbal in the South⁴⁶ and rarely in j in the East.

Sk. *putrēṇa* > *putena* or *putrena* Major RE.

Sk. *lipikareṇa* > *lipikareṇa* Mysore group.

Sk. *vāṛṣāṇi* > *vasāṇi* Kpb.

Sk. *sārveṇa* > *savenā* j, but *savena* d, j.

In a few cases the dental is cerebralised even when Sk. does not require it.

Sk. *laukikena* > *lokikena* j.

Sk. *Devānām-* > *Devāṇām-* br, jtr, Kpb and S (once), but *Devānām-* yr, sd and in other versions.

Also cf. *aḍḍhiyāni* and *sāṭirekāni* at Kpb.

6. Cerebralisation of clusters with nasals. Such cerebralisation is met with in very few cases.

(i) Cerebralisation of -ny- > -ṇ- is an exceptional characteristic of the Mānsehrā version.

Sk. *anyā-* > *aṇa*- M, other versions (including M) give forms with -n- or -ñ-.

Sk. *√mān-ya-* > *√maṇa*- M, other versions have -n- or -ñ-.

(ii) Cerebralisation of the cluster *jñ* is observed in two distant regions viz. the North-West and the South.

Sk. *ā√jñā-pa* > *ā√ṇāpa*- S,M,br, other versions have -n- or -ñ-.

§ 39. Treatment of final consonants : Consonants in their final position are generally dropped in Aś. inscriptions as in other Prakrits. Thus the abl. sg. term. of mas. and neut. nouns in -a is -ā < -āt.

Also note the following :

Sk. *yāvat* > *yāva* S, PE, *āvā* Major and Pillar edicts.

Sk. *bhavel-* > *bhave* G.

Sk. *punar* > *punā* S,M,G,K, *pana* S,M,D,J.

Sk. *syāt* > *siyā* K,d,j,PE, MRE, *siya* S,M,j,PE.

Sk. *manāk* > *minā* PE.

It will be noticed that the final vowel if short is sometimes lengthened and vice versa. (Also cf. the treatment of the final vowels).

The word *palisā* < Sk. *pariśad* occurs in K,D,J. HULTZSCH quotes this as an

45. This is HULTZSCH's reading. Others read *ni-*; also cf. TURNER, *Gavimath Inscr.* p. i, f. note 3.

46. As an exception the dental -n- is preserved in such cases as Khudakena (-da- kpb), *pakamaminena* (-nena kpb).

47. A few consonants at the end are, however, preserved in Sāṁdhī. cf. Sk. *evam* + *api* > *evampai* G. Sk. *evam* + *eva* > *evameva* S, M, K, *hemeva* d, j, PE, br, sd, jtr. Sk. *etad* + *ārtha-* > *etdatha-* T.

example of the lengthening of *the final vowel due to the loss of the final consonant. TURNER objects to this explanation and points out that *pariṣad* first changes to *palisa*, and then *palisā* in conformity with the existing fem. endings.⁴⁸

Since the final consonants are dropped, the final *-m* and *-n* are also dropped in these inscriptions and then the preceding vowels are nasalised.

Sk. *dānam* > *danam* Major Rock and Pillar Edicts.

Sk. *dharmam* > G,K,D,*dhramam* S,M.

But this anusvāra at the end is not always represented in writing. Thus we get such forms as *dana* S,M, *dhāmna* j, *katavya* G, etc.

§ 40. Nasalisation :

Sometimes a nasal is introduced in some words in these inscriptions in order to mark the doubling of the following consonant when the preceding vowel is shortened.

Sk. *trīni* > *tiṇni* K,D,J,PE, but *tiṇi* M,K.

Sk. $\sqrt{bhū}$ > *ahūmsu* G.

Sk. *śūśrūṣā* > *susūmsā* G.

Sometimes a nasal is introduced in order to break hiatus.

Sk. *anya-anya* > *añam-añña* G, *cñam-aña* S, *añnam-ana* K.

In certain cases, however, it is introduced without any apparent reason.

Sk. *prakṛti* > *paṅkiti* sd, but *pakiti* br, sd, jtr.

Sk. *vi√śvas* > *vi√saṁvāsa* sn.

Sk. **nīśiṣṭakā*⁴⁹ > *nīnsiḍhayā* PE.

Sk. *yāvat* > *avam* K.

Sk. *ca* > *cam* bh.

Sk. *pāratrika* > *pālaṁtikya* K (HULTZSCH's reading).

Sk. *miśradeva* > *miśamdeva* s (HULTZSCH's reading).

III. CONSONANT CLUSTERS

§ 41. The clustered consonants are assimilated or dissolved through many a process in MIA in general. Aśokan inscriptions prove no exception to this general treatment adopted by other MIA languages, except that a few clusters and especially those formed with *-r-* are preserved mostly in the North-West and the West. This North-Western characteristic is apparent even today in the group of Dardic languages.⁵⁰ Space forbids here an elaborate treatment of all clusters in the Aśokan inscriptions.⁵¹ Hence only the treatment of important clusters is discussed below, omitting such clusters as exemplify normal assimilation. The process of palatalisation and cerebralisation in clusters is already discussed above §§ 37, 38.

§ 42. Clusters with Stops : Under this head we will specially consider clusters formed with semi-vowels and sibilants + stops.

1. τ + stops : The following remark by HULTZSCH must be noted before we actually come to deal with the clusters. "As at Girnar there is (in S,M) some inconsistency in marking the letter τ if it is combined with other consonants. "The order of the

48. BSOS 4.364.

49. For this form see LÜDERS, SPAW, 1914, 852; for the change *śl* > *ms* cf. PISCHEL, Gr §74.

50. Cf. GRIERSON, JRAS 1904. 725-31.

51. For this cf. BDCRI 3,270 ff.

symbols does not conform to the actual pronunciation,* but to the convenience of the combinations (BÜHLER, ZDMG 43.133)". Thus *ṛ* is sometimes combined with the preceding akṣara or is attached to the following consonant. But "it must be remembered that, wherever the above-mentioned words occur in the text, the transcript shows the imperfect spelling of the inscription, but not the actual pronunciation."⁵²

Therefore in the following examples whether the letter *ṛ* occurs with the preceding syllable or the following consonant, its presence in the word is to be regarded as an illustration of the preservation of the original Sk. conjunct.

As noted above the clusters with *ṛ* + stops are as a rule assimilated in all versions except those in the North-West. Below are mentioned a few examples to show the preservation in the North-West.

Sk. *vāṛga* > *vaga*- K,D,J, *vagra*- S,M.

Sk. *svargā* > *svaga*- G,K,D,J,MRE, *spagra*- S,M.

Sk. *garbhāgāra* > *gabhāgāra* or *-la*- G,K,D,J, *grabhagara*- S,M.

(For the special treatment of *ṛ* + dentals cf. above cerebralisation § 38).

2. *ṣ* + stops : In the cluster *-ṣṭ-* the unaspirated surd is aspirated in assimilation. The cluster *-ṣṭh-* is preserved only in the West in the form *-st-*. The cerebral articulation is sometimes lost in the treatment of this cluster.

Sk. *aṣṭamṭ* > *aṭhamṭ*- PE, *aṭha*- S,M,K.

Sk. *vyuṣṭa* > *vyūṭha*- ru and yr, *vyūṭha*, br. *vivutha*- s.

Sk. *śreṣṭha* > *sreṭha*- S,M, *seṭha*- K, but *seṣṭa*- G.

Sk. *√tiṣṭh* > *√tiṭha*- S, *√ciṭha*- M,K,D, but *√tiṣṭa*- G.

In the case of *ṣ* + *k*, the resulting form appears without aspiration.

Sk. *duṣkṛta* > *dukaṭa*- S,M,K,D, *dukata*- G.

Sk. *duṣkara* > *dukara*- S,M,G, *dukala*- K,D,J.

3. *s* + stops : The cluster *-st-* is preserved in S,M,G, but assimilated to *-th-* elsewhere. The cluster *-sth-* is, however, preserved only in the West. (For cerebralisation see above § 38).

Sk. *hastin* > *hasti*- S,M,G, *hathi*- K,D,yr.

Sk. *ghastha* > *gahatha*- M,K, *grahatha*- S, *gihitha*- T, but *gharasta*- G.

In the treatment of the cluster *-sk-*, aspiration appears only in the West.

Sk. *skandhā* > *-khamda*- G (perhaps due to metathesis of aspiration), but *-kamdha*- S,M,K,D.

§ 43. Clusters with *y* : Such clusters are either assimilated, preserved or dissolved. The regional distinction, wherever possible, is noted below.

1. Clusters with stop + *y* : In spite of numerous exceptions, it may be said that the cluster is normally assimilated in the West and the North-West, dissolved in the East and sometimes preserved in the South and the Centre.

(i) *-ky-* > *-k-*, *-ky-* or *-kiy-* :

Sk. *śakya* > *śaka*- S, *saka*- G, sd, mk, *sakya*- br, sd, *cakya*- b, *sakiya*- J, ru, sn, yr, *cakiya*- d, j, Kpb.

(ii) *-khy-* > *-kh-*, *-khy-* or *-khiy-*

52. HULTZSCH, p. lxxxvii. Doubts on this opinion have been already expressed by GRIERSON, cf. JAS 1913. 682-83, and recently by S. N. SEN, *Kane Comm. Vol.* pp. 417-19,

Sk. *mūkhyā* > *mukha*- S,M,K,T, *mokhya*- d,PE, *mokhiya*- j.

(iii) -gy- > -giy-, -gy- or -k- (< -g-):

Sk. *ārogya* > *ārogiya*- br, sd, but *āroka*- yr.

Sk. *yugya* > *yūgya*- yr.

(iv) For dentals + y see above palatalisation § 37.

The treatment of the cluster *dy-* > *diy-* (or *dia-* due to loss of -y-), may, however, be noted here.

Sk. *dyardha* > *diyaḍha*- M, K, *diyaḍhiya*- MRE, *diaḍha*- S.

(v) -bhy- > -bh-, -bhy-, -bhīy-:

Sk. *ibhya* > -*ibha*- S,K, -*ibhya*- M, -*ibhiya*- D,J.

Sk. *ā√rābh-ya* > *ārabhare* G, *ārabhiṣu* M, *ālabhiya*- K,D,J and *arabhiya*- S,M.

2. Cluster *ry*: The cluster is assimilated to -y- or dissolved by svarābhakti. It may be noted that this cluster as well as the following *ly* are more or less regularly preserved in the Niya Prakrit cf. BURROW, § 42.

Sk. *mārya*- or -*ārya* > *mayā*- S,M,G,K,D, *aya*- everywhere, but *aliya*- bh.

Sk. *mādhurya* > *madhuriya*- S,M, *mādhukya*- K,D,J.

Sk. *ācārya* > *ācariya*- br, sd,jtr, yr.

Sk. *sārya* > -*sūriyika*- sc, -*suliyika*- T.

3. Cluster *ly*: It is assimilated to -l- in the West and the North-West and to -y- in the East, Centre and the North.

Sk. *kalyāṇā* > *kalāṇa*- S,M,G, *kayaṇa*- M, *kayāna*- K,D,PE.

4. Cluster *vy*: It is assimilated to *v* in the North-West, preserved in the West⁵³ (and sometimes in the South and the Centre) and dissolved by svarābhakti in other regions.

Sk. *vyāñjana* > *vañana*- S, *viyajaṇa*- M, *viyañjana*- K,D,J,Sn.

vayajana- tu, *vyañjana*- G.

Sk. *vyuṣṭa* > *vivutha*- s, but *vyūtha*- br, *vyūṭha*- ru, yr.

Sk. *kārtavya* > *kaṭava*- S, *kaṭaviya*- M,K,D,J,PE,sd, jtr, yr.

katavya- G.

5. Sibilant + y: It is generally assimilated or dissolved, or rarely preserved.

Sk. *pratīveśya* > -*veśiya*- S,M, -*vesiya*- K,G.

Sk. *dūśya* > *dusa*- sn, sc, kb.

Sk. *ālasya* > *ālasiya*- d, but *ālasya*- j.

Sk. *īrṣyā* > *isā*- d, j, but *isyā*- PE.

Sometimes the change -sy- > -ś- is observed in the North-West.⁵⁴ cf. for instance the future term.

Sk. *ārabhiṣyanti* > *arabhiṣanti* S,M.

Sk. *manuṣya* > *manuṣa*- S,M, *manuṣa*- K, *manusa*- elsewhere.

§ 44. Clusters with *r*: Such clusters are normally assimilated to the stop with which the semivowel *r* is combined. But sometimes the cluster is preserved in the North-West and the West (and rarely in the Mysore group) both initially and medially.

53. Cf. however Sk. *pūjayitavya* > *pūjetaya*- G.

54. For similar change in the Niya Prakrit, cf. BURROW § 41.

1. Gutturals + *ṛ* :

Sk. *ati√kram-* > *ati√kama-* K,D,J,T, but *ati√krama-* S,M,G. G has *atikāta-* and *parikama-* also.

Sk. *cakravākū-* > *cakavāka-* PE.

Sk. *prakrānta-* > *pakamta-* MRE.

Sk. *agra-* > *aga-* K,D,J,G,PE, *agra-* S,M.

2. Dentals + *ṛ* : The cluster is sometimes preserved even in the South.

Sk. *trī, trīṇi* > *tiṇi* or *tiṇni* M,K,D,J,PE, *ti* G, but *trayo* S and *trī* G,

Sk. *putrā-* > *puta-* G,K,J,T,sc, *putra-* S,M,G.

Sk. *tātra* > *tata* G,K,d,j,T,s, *tatrā* G,S,M.

Sk. *√dṛh-* > *drahitavya-* > *drahyitavya-* br, sd, jir.

Sk. *ardhatrika-* > *aḍhāṭiya-* MRE.

3. Labials + *ṛ* : Here the cluster is sometimes preserved even in the Central and Southern division.

Sk. *prajā-* > *pajā* K,D,J,PE, *prajā-* S,M,G.

Sk. *prakāśa-* > *prakāsa-* ru.

Sk. *prasāda-* > *prasāda-* S,M,G,bh, *paśāda-* K.

Sk. *prakrānta-* > *prakamta-*⁵⁵ br, *pakamta-* ru, sd, Kpb, yr (*pakata-*).

Sk. *prāṇā-* > *prāṇa-* G,S, yr, *prana-* M, *pāna-* elsewhere.

But cf. *pr-* > *p-* in G and M.

Sk. *prakaraṇa-* > *pakaraṇa-* G,M, *pakalana-* K,D, also *prakaraṇa-* S,G.

The clusters *br-* and *bhr-* almost follow the usual tendencies.

Sk. *brāhmaṇa-* > *brāhmaṇa-* S,M, *bambhana-* So,K.

bābhana- D,J,T, *bamaṇa-* M, *bāmhaṇa-* G.

Sk. *bhrātṛ-* > *bhrātra-* G, *bhrata-* S,M, *bhata-* K,D,J,M.

4. Cluster *vr* : It is preserved only in the North-West.

Sk. *vraja-* > *vraca-* S,M, *vaca-* G,K,D,J.

Sk. *prāvrajita-* > *pravrajita-* S,M, *pavajita-* G,K,T.

5. Clusters with sibilant + *ṛ* : They are regularly preserved in S,M, and sometimes in G ; other versions assimilate it to the sibilant.

Sk. *√śru-ṇu-* > *√śruṇa-* S,M, *√sruṇa-* G, *√śuna-* K, *√su-* K,T,bh,d,j, *√sāvāpa-* T,br,sd.

Sk. *sahāstra-* > *sahasra-* S,M,G, *sahasa-* S,⁵⁶D,J,PE.

Sk. *pariśrava-* > *parisrava-* S,G, *-parisava-* M, *-palisava-* D,J, (-lā- K).

Sk. *miśrā-* > *misa-* MRE.

§ 45. Clusters with *v* :

1. Clusters with stops + *v* in the initial position are dissolved and in the medial position assimilated in the non-Western regions. They are preserved in all positions only in the West with these phonetic changes, that *tv* > *tp* and *dv* > *db*.

Sk. *kvāpi* > *kuvāpi* K.

Sk. *dvī-* > *duvi* S, *duve* M,K,J, *duvehi* T, *dve* or *dvo* G.

Sk. *dvādaśā* > *duvaḍaśa-* M, *duvādasa-* D,J, *-ḍasa-* K,PE,bb, *badaya-* S, *dbādasa-* G.

55. HULTZSCH's reading.

56. Thus *sahasa-* in S and *parisava-* in M are exceptions.

Sk. *catvārah* > *cature* S, *catāli* K (> Sk. *catvāri*), *catpāro* G.

Sk. absolutive term. *-tvā*, > *-tu* S,M,K,D,J,PE, *-tpā* G.

Sk. *śāḍ-vimśati* > *saḍvīśati* PE.

2. Semivowel $\tau + v$: The cluster is generally preserved in the West and the North-West, but dissolved or assimilated elsewhere.

Sk. *sārva*- > *sava*- in all versions, *sarva*- G, *savra*- S,M.

Sk. *pūrva*- > *-puva*- G, *-puluva*- K,D,J, *-pruva*- S,M,G.

3. Sibilant + v : The cluster in the initial position is preserved in the West and the North-West⁵⁷ (in the form *sp*), and it is either assimilated or dissolved by svarabhakti elsewhere.

Sk. *svāmi-ka*- > *svāmika*- G, *spamika*- S,M, *suvāmika*- K,D,J.

Sk. *śvetā*- > *svela*- G, *seta*- PE.

In *svaga*- (< Sk. *svargā*-), however, it is initially preserved in all versions.⁵⁸ (*spagā*- S,M).

In the intervocal position it is preserved everywhere.

Sk. *śāśvatā*- > *sasvata*- d,j.

Sk. *āsva*- > *asva*- PE.

§ 46. Clusters with sibilants :

1. For the treatment of *kṣ* and *ts* see above palatalisation §37.

2. $\tau +$ sibilant : Whereas S,M,G, preserve the cluster, others assimilate it to the sibilant.

Sk. *dārśana*- > *dasana*- G,So,K,D,J, *draśana*- S,M, *darsana*- G.

Sk. *-darśin*- > *-dasi*- G,K,D,J,PE, bh, bb, *-draśi*, S,M, *-drasi*- G.

3. Clusters with *h* :

Almost everywhere the cluster *-rh-* is dissolved by the addition of the vowel *a*.

Sk. *garhā*, *garhaṇā*- > *garahā*- G,M, *galahā*- K, $\sqrt{\text{garaha}}$ - S,M,G, but *garana*- S.

Sk. *yathārha*- > *yathāraha*- br,sd,jtr.

§ 47. Clusters with nasals : Such clusters are usually assimilated to the nasal or to the stop and then the nasal is turned into anusvāra. This anusvāra, however, is not always represented in writing. The clusters with \tilde{n} , η , *n* and *m* show some peculiarities and only these are detailed below.

§ 48. Clusters with the nasal \tilde{n} :

1. $j\tilde{n}$: The cluster is usually assimilated to \tilde{n} in the West, North-West,⁵⁹ and South, and to *n* in the East and the Centre. (For cerebralisation see above §38).

Sk. *jñāti*- > *nāti*- G,br,sd,jtr, *nāti*- K,D,J,PE.

Sk. *vijñapti*- > *vinati*- kq, $\sqrt{\text{vinṇapa}}$ - sn.

In the declined forms of *rājan*- the cluster is sometimes dissolved by svarabhakti.

Sk. *rājñā*- > *rāñā* S,G, *rājina* M,So, *lājinā*, K,D,J,rm,ng,bh.

2. $\tilde{n}c$: It is represented as *-ñc-* or *-ñn-* in the numeral.

Sk. *pāñca*- > *pañca*- S,M,G,K,D,J,ksb, *pañna*- PE.

57. The cluster \tilde{sv} > \tilde{sp} and *sv* > \tilde{sv} or \tilde{sp} in the Niya Prakrit cf. BURROW, §49.

58. In s 1.4, however, HULTZSCH reads *suaga*-.

59. $j\tilde{n}$ > \tilde{n} (or *n*) in the Niya Prakrit, cf. BURROW § 44.

3. *ñj* : It is generally represented as *-ñj-* or *-j-*, but in the North-West it is assimilated to *ñ*.⁶⁰

Sk. *vyañjana-* > *vyañjana-* G, *viyañjana-* K,D,J,sn. *vayajana-* ru, *viyajana-* M, *vañana-* S.

§ 49. Clusters with the nasal *n* :

1. *ṛṇ* : In its assimilation the cerebral articulation is preserved in the Mysore group but it is lost in PE.

Sk. *suṛṇa-* > *suṛṇa-* br,sd.

Sk. *pūṛṇa-* > *pūṛṇa-* PE.

2. *-kṣṇ-* > *-khin-* : Sk. *ślakṣṇā-* > *sakhina-* d, Sk. *abhikṣṇa-* > *abhikhina-* bh.

3. *ṇy* : In the North-West and the West the cluster is assimilated to *ñ* (but in G also to *n*), but elsewhere to *n*.

Sk. *apūṇya-* > *apūṇa-* S,M, *apūṇṇa-* G, *apūna-* K.

Sk. *hiraṇya-* > *hiraṇna-* G,So, *hilaṇna-* K,D,J.

§ 50. Clusters with *n* : The only important cluster to note is *ny*. Other clusters with *n* are assimilated to the stop (as in Sk. *agni-* > *agi* M,K,D,G) or dissolved (as in Sk. *pra√āp-na-* > *pāpuna-* or *-ṇa-* G,S,K,D,j, or *praśnā-* > *-paśina-* bh).

1. *ny* : It is assimilated to *ñ* in the West and North-West,⁶¹ but to *n* elsewhere (for cerebralisation see above § 38).

Sk. *anyā-* > *añā-* S,M,G,So, *aṇna-* K,D,J,PE, *ana-ta* M, *ana-* M.

Sk. *√manya-* > *√mañā-* S,M,G, *√mana-* K,d,j, (*√maṇa-* M).

§ 51. Clusters with *m* :

1. *-tm-* : Except in the West and the South where it is preserved as *-tp-*, it is normally assimilated to *t*.

Sk. *ātman-* > *ata-* S,M,K,d,j,PE, *ātpā* G, *mahātpā* br,sd,yr. Kōpāl though in South gives *mahata-*.

2. *-sm-*⁶² (or *-ṣm-*) : Note the following interesting treatments. It is either preserved (as *sm* or *sp*) or assimilated to *mh* or *s*. In the pronominal forms it usually becomes *-ph-*.

Sk. *akasmā-* > *akasmā* d,j.

Sk. loc. sg. *-smin* > *-mhi* G, *-spi* S,M, *-si* elsewhere.

Sk. *tasmāt* > *taphā* K.

Vedic *asme* > *aphe* d,j, similarly * *tuṣmat-* > *tupha-* d,j,ru,sn,yr.

In the grammatical form *asmi* initial *a-* is lost and then the cluster is dissolved. cf. *sumi* ru, s, mk, Kpb.

3. *-hm-* : The following forms may be noted.

Sk. *brāhmaṇā-* > *braṇa-* S,M, *brahmaṇa-* G, *bāhmaṇa-* G,

bāmbhana- So,K,yr, *bābhana-* K,D,J,T.

4. *-my-* : It is sometimes preserved.

Sk. *samyak* > *saṃma-* S, but *saṃmyā-* D,J, *samyā-* K, *samya-* G,M.

60. Precisely the same tendency is observed in the Niya Prakrit documents and the process is most regular in the *Kharoṣṭhi Dhammapada*, cf. BURROW, §45.

61. The same treatment is also found in the Niya Prakrit, cf. BURROW, §41.

62. The cluster *-sm-* > *-s-* in the loc. term. or is preserved in the Niya Prakrit, cf. BURROW, §49.

5. -mr- : As is well known, it becomes -mb-.

Sk. *āmra* > *ambā* PE.

Sk. *Tāmraparṇī* > *Tambapanni* S,M,G,K,J, -*paṇi* M.

MORPHOLOGY

I. DECLENSION

(A) NOUNS :

§ 52. The complex declensional system of the OIA is much simplified in these inscriptions by the well-known processes which were active in the MIA period. Thus, for example, the dual is altogether lost and the consonantal bases are mostly transferred to the vowel bases. On the other hand in endings we do not yet meet with the same variety of forms which are so widely used in the later literary Prakrits. The geographical distinction in the declensional system of these inscriptions, especially between the East and the West, is noted below in all such cases which admit of such distinction. Exceptions to these generalisations, whenever they occur, are also recorded in each case.

§ 53. Mas. and Neut. Nouns ending in -a.

(i) Nom. sg. Mas : principally ends in -a and -e. Of these, the former is more frequently used than the latter in G,S,M and the latter in K,D,J,PE and MRE.

jano G,S, *jane* K,M,D,J,T, *aṭhe* MRE.

(a) The ending -o is, however, sometimes found in the East and -e in the West and North-West cf. *rājūke*, *sakale*, etc. in G, *jane*, *vivade*, etc. in S,M, and *Keralaputo* in K, *seto* in D.

(b) The ending -a (the original -s in -as being dropped) is of rare occurrence. cf. *jana* S, *vadhā* K, [*saṃpa*]ṭipāda d, and *yāvataka* ru.

(c) The foreign name *Amtekina* in G ends in -a, but it ends in -i at S. The other name *Maga* ends in -ā in G and K.

(ii) Acc. sg. Mas. : ends in -am or -a (with the loss of final anusvāra) everywhere.

janam G,PE, *dhramam* or *jana* S, *dharmam* K,D,J, *saṃgham* MRE.

(a) In S, M we sometimes get the ending -o or -e. cf. *dhramo*, and *sayame*.

(b) In K exceptionally the ending -ā is found. cf. *ata-pāṣaḍā*.

(iii) Nom. Acc. sg. Neut : These nouns end in -am in G,S,M. In other edicts we get -am only for the acc. sg. whereas -e is found for nom. sg.

Nom. sg. *dānam* G,S,M, but *dāne* K,D,J,PE, *phale* MRE.

Acc. sg. *maṃgalam* D,J, *dānam* K,PE, *vipulam* MRE.

(a) In G,S,M, we get in a few cases the ending -e for nom. sg, as in the East and in K,D,J,jtr, and yr, we get -am as in the West. cf. *dāne* G,S,M, *jivam* K,D,J, *likhitam* jtr., *saca* and *kaṭaviya* (with the loss of final anusvāra) yr.

(b) In a few gerundives we have -o in S. cf. *kaṭavo*.

(c) Sometimes we get -ā for nom. sg. in K,D,J, cf. *ādisā* K, *kaṭaviya-tālā* D,J.

- (d) In d and K sometimes the acc. sg. also ends in *-e*, cf. *āmañne* d, *dāne* K.
- (iv) Inst. sg. ends in *-ena* everywhere.
jñena G, *putrena* S,M, *putena* D,J, *dhammena* PE, etc., *khudakena* K,D,J, MRE.
- (a) The final *-na* is sometimes lengthened, cf. *bhayenā* PE, *-abhisitenā* MRE.
- (b) Cerebralised term. occurs sometimes in the South. cf. *lipigareṇa* br,jr, *mahateṇa* Kpb.
- (v) Dat. sg. : ends in *-ya* in West, Centre, and South but *-ye* elsewhere.
albhāya G, *kālāya* ru, *aṭhāya* ru,br,Kpb,yr, *aṭhāye* S,M,D,J,K,t,s.
- (a) Once in G and T the dat. sg. ends in *-ā* cf. *āthā*.⁶³
- (vi) Abl. sg. : ends in *-ā* (*-a* in S,M) everywhere.
kapā G, *anubadhā* K, *mahatalā* MRE, *karāṇa* S,M.
- (a) The final vowel is sometimes shortened in D, cf. *anubadha*.
- (vii) Gen. sg. : ends in *-sa* everywhere.
jñasa G,S,M,K,D,J,PE, *Asokasa* mk, *pakamasa* MRE..
- (a) Sometimes the final vowel is lengthened.
janasā K, *asvasā* T,Mi (but *asvasa* Rdh, Mth, Rp).
- (viii) Loc. sg. : G gives the ending *-mhi* (< Sk. *-smin* of pronouns) and *-e*. In S,M, we get *-e*, and *spi* or *-si* (< Sk. *-smin*). The ending *-si* is the normal one in other edicts.
alhamhi G, *orodhanaspi* S,M, *uṭhanasi* S,M, *aṭhasi* D,J, *janasi* PE, *Jambudīpasi* MRE, *kōle* G, *dhrame* S,M.
- (a) Perhaps *-e* is found in *supiye* at bb.
- (ix) Nom. pl. Masc. : ends in *-ā* everywhere (but represented as *-a*, in S,M),
morā G, *putā* K,D,J, *pulisā* PE, *devā* MRE, *putra* S,M.
- (a) The final *-ā* is sometimes shortened cf. *nātikya* K, *laṭṭuka* PE, *Anuvigina* d,j.
- (b) T twice gives the ending *-āse* (< Vedic *-āsah*) cf. *viyāpaṭāse*.
- (x) Acc. pl. Masc : The ending in G is *-e* but *-āni* in other edicts. This *-āni* ending is regarded as the peculiarity of the Ardha-Māgadhi dialect by LÜDERS (SPAW 1913.992 ff).
yute G, *kamdhāni* D,J, *pulisāni* PE, *bambhanāni* yr.
- (a) *-āni* is noticed in G four times. cf. for instance *gharastāni*.
- (xi) Nom. Acc. pl. neut. : ends in *-āni* everywhere.
āpāni G,S,M, *phalāni* K, *vasāni* D,J, Mysore Gr.
- (a) Sometimes we get the ending *-ā*, cf. *-darsanā* G, *lopāpītā* D,K, *hālāpītā* K, *lāti-satā* s,ru.
- (b) The final vowel is once lengthened in Mi. cf. *hamtaviyāni*.
- (c) Characteristically *-n* > at Kpb. cf. *vasāni*, *aḍḍataviyāni*.
- (xii) Inst. pl. : ends in *-ehi* (< Vedic *-ebhih*).
satehi G,K, *jātehi* d,j, *devehi* MRE.
- (xiii) Dat. pl. : ends in *-ehi*.
mahamatrehi M, *samanehi* D,J, *āḥivikēni* do.

63. See Michelson, JAOS 31.240,

- (xiv) Gen. pl. : ends in
- naṁ*
- or
- na*
- .

thairānaṁ G, *praṇaṇaṁ* S,M, *pānānaṁ* K,D,J.*śramaṇana* S,M, *-paśaḍāna* K.

- (a) Rarely we get
- nāṁ*
- or
- nā*
- .

bhūtānāṁ G and *bambhanānā* K.

- (xv) Loc. pl. : ends in
- su*
- everywhere (
- ṣu*
- in S,M).

thāiresu G, *vaṣeṣu* S,M, *vasesu* K,D,J, *aṭhesu* PE, *pavatesu* MRE, *prāmesu* -
yr.

- (a) Rarely the final vowel is lengthened in G cf.
- paṁthesū*
- .

§ 54. Fem. nouns ending in *-ā*.

- (i) Nom. sg. : ends in
- ā*
- (represented as
- a*
- in S,M,) everywhere.

ichā G,S,M,K,PE, *pajā* D,J, *porānā* Mysore Group, yr.

- (a) The final
- ā*
- is sometimes shortened in the East and Centre,
- icha*
- D,J,
-
- lokika*
- K,
- apekha*
- PE.

- (ii) Acc. sg. : ends in
- āṁ*
- with the final anusvāra sometimes dropped.

pūjāṁ G,M, *pajāṁ* PE, *pujā* S,K,G, *paṭipadā* Mi(?).

- (iii) Inst. sg. : ends in the East, Centre and the West in
- yā*
- and in the North and the North-West in
- ye*
- .

pūjāyā G,PE, *isāya* D,J, *pūjāye* S,M,K.

- (iv) Dat., Abl., Gen. sg. : ends in
- ye*
- .

vihisāye (Dat.), *dakkhiṇāye* (Abl.), *dutiyāye* (Gen.) PE.

- (v) Loc. sg. : ending in the East, Centre, South, and the West is
- yaṁ*
- but
- ye*
- in the North, North-West and the East.

gaṇanāyaṁ G, *Samāpāyaṁ* J, *Tisāyaṁ* T,Mi, *velāyaṁ* Kpb, *saṁtīraṇaye*
S,M, *saṁtilanāye* K, *Tisāye* PE, *pājāye* D,J.

- (a) The final anusvāra in
- yaṁ*
- is sometimes dropped.

saṁtīraṇāya G, *saṁtilanāya* D,J.

- (vi) Nom. pl. : ends in
- ā*
- everywhere (
- a*
- S,M).

katā G, *vaḍikyā* PE, *upāsikā* bh, *cikisa* S,M.

- (a) Final
- ā*
- is once shortened in G. cf.
- cikicha*
- .

- (b) G alone gives the additional ending
- āyo*
- (>
- āo*
- in Pkt. cf. PISCHEL
-
- G. §376). cf.
- mahidāyo*
- .

- (vii) Loc. pl. : ends in
- su*
- in PE. cf.
- disāsu*
- .

§ 55. Mas. and Neut. Nouns ending in *-i*.

- (i) Nom. sg. Mas. : ends in
- ī*
- in PE. cf.
- vidhi*
- ,
- Sakyamunī*
- .

- (ii) Nom. sg. Neut. : ends in
- i*
- in K. cf.
- asamaḥ*
- .

- (iii) Nom. pl. Mas. : ends in
- ī*
- in G and
- o*
- in S,M.

trī G, *trayo* S,M. (For long *-ī* cf. PISCHEL, Gr. §380).

- (iv) Nom. Acc. pl. Neut. : ends in
- ni*
- everywhere.

tiṇni K,D,J,PE, *osadhini* K.

- (v) Gen. pl. : ends in
- naṁ*
- everywhere, but the final anusvāra is sometimes dropped.

nāṭinaṁ G,S,M, *nāṭinaṁ* K, *ñatina* S,M.

- (a) The loss of final anusvāra results in the lengthening of preceding vowel
-
- in K. cf.
- nāṭinā*

(vi) Loc. pl. : ends in *-su* in the East and the West and *-ṣu* in the North and the North-West.

ñāṭisu G ; *nāṭisu* D,J ; *nābhāpamṭiṣu* M,K.

§ 56. Fem. nouns ending in *-ī*.

(i) Nom. sg. : Normally ending *-ī* appears in the West (and the South) and *-i* elsewhere.

lipī G ; *pakīṭi* Mysore Gr. (but *pakīṭi* yr.), *lipi* K, *dipi* S,M, *vaḍhi* PE.

(a) Exchange of these endings is met with exceptionally, *apacitī* G ; *anusāṭṭī* D,J ; *gabhinī* PE.

(ii) Acc. sg. : ending *-im* appears in G and PE and *-i* in K,D,J,S,M,PE and MRE.

saṃbodhim G ; *lipim* sn., *sabodhi* S,M, *saṃbodhi* K,D,J, *vaḍhi* T,rq.

(a) As a result of the loss of final anusvāra the preceding vowel is lengthened in D,J, and PE.

kiṭi D,J ; *-anupaṭipatī* T. (HLZ's reading).

(b) Loss of anusvāra with short *-i* is an exception at G. cf. *kṭi*, *chāṭi*, *vaḍhi*.

(iii) Inst. sg. : ending *-yā* is obtained in all versions and the final vowel is sometimes shortened in D,J and PE.

bhātīyā G,S,M,K ; *anusāṭṭīyā* D,J,PE, *anāvutīyā* D,J, *vaḍhiyā* PE.

(a) Ending *-ye* is sometimes found in K cf. *anusāṭṭīye*.

(b) Ending *-nā* is obtained only at yr. cf. *bherinā*.

(iv) Dat. Sg. : The Western, North-Western and Northern ending is *-yā*. Ending *-ye* seems to be the Eastern one (its presence in S,M being perhaps due to the Eastern influence).

anusāṭṭīyā G ; *vaḍhiyā* S,M,K ; *vaḍhiye* D,J ; *dhātīye* T, *anusāṭṭīye* S,M.

(v) Abl. sg. : ends in *-yā* (represented as *-ye* in S,M).

nivutīyā K ; *nīphatīyā* D,J ; *nivutīyā* S,M.

(vi) Gen. sg. : ends in *-ye* in PE. cf. *devīye* Kq.

(vii) Loc. sg. : ending *-yaṃ* occurs in D,J,PE, *-ya* in S,M, and *-ye* in K,D,J,PE.

pūthaviyaṃ D,J ; *Kosaṃbiyaṃ* PE ; *ayatiya* S,M ; *āyatiye* K,D,J ;

cātumṃāsiye PE.

(viii) Nom. pl. : ending *-yo* occurs in G,K, and *-ye* in bh ; the forms in S,M,D,J end in *-ī*.

aṭaviyo G ; *janiyo* K ; *bhikkuniye* bh ; *aṭavi*⁶⁴ S,M, *iṭhī* D,J.

(ix) Gen. pl. : ending *-naṃ* or *-nā*.

bhāgininaṃ D,J ; *devinaṃ* T ; *bhaginā* K.

(x) Loc. pl. : ends in *-su*.

ṭisu PE ; *pavatisu*⁶⁵ ru.

§ 57. Mas. and Neut. nouns ending in *-u*.

(i) Nom. sg. Mas. : ends in *-u* in all versions.

sādhū Major RE, *bhikkhu* Kb.

(a) It is, however, sometimes lengthened.

sādhū D,J, *bhikkhū* sn.

64. With this form HULTZSCH compares Pāli nom. pl. *rattī* of *rattī* (< Sk. *rdtri*-) p. xci.

65. For the fem. base *pavati* cf. BÖHTLINGCK, *Wörterbuch*, s.v.

- (ii) Nom. Acc. Neut. sg. : ends in -u everywhere.
bahu K,S,M,K,PE, *sādhū* D,J.
- (iii) Loc. sg. : The form *bahune* in T is perhaps from the base *bahuna-*.
- (iv) Nom. Acc. pl. Neut. : ends in -ni in all versions.
bahūni Major RE, PE.
- (v) Inst. pl. : ends in -hi, cf. *bahūhi* Major RE.
- (vi) Gen. pl. : ending -naṃ occurs in G,D,J,PE, -na in S,M, and -nā in K.
gaurānaṃ G, *gulūnaṃ* D,J, *bhikkhenaṃ* sc, *gcruna* S,M, *gulunā* K.
- (vii) Loc. pl. : ends in -su.
bahūsc ð,j, *gclusc* PE, *garcsu* Mysore group, *garūsu* yr.

§ 58. Fem. nouns ending in -u :

(i) The nom. sg. of *sādhū* used as fem. is the same as that of Mas. and Neut. in all versions.

§ 59. Mas. nouns ending in -r : The base for the oblique cases ends either in -i or -u. In such cases the Western version preserves the Sk. forms.

- (i) Nom. sg. : ends in -ā in d and PE.

pitā d ; *apahaṭā* T.

(a) It is sometimes shortened to -a, cf. *pita* j and *apahaṭa* Rdh.

(ii) Inst. sg. : ends in -ā in the West ; but -nā (cf. -i and -u declension) in other regions.

pitā, *bhātā* or *bhātrā* G ; *pituna* S,M, *pitinā* K,D,J.

- (iii) Loc. sg. : ends in -i at G. cf. *pitari*.

(iv) Nom. pl. : ends in -o in S, -e in M,K, and -ī in D,J. (cf. -i declension).
nataro S ; *natare* M ; *matāle* K ; *natt* D,J.

- (v) Gen. pl. : ends in -naṃ in K,D,J and -na in S,M.

bhātānaṃ K,D,J, *bhratuna* S,M.

(vi) Loc. pl. : ends in -su in all groups, but -su in S,M (and K).

pitisu D,J,K,PE,br, *pitūsu* yr, jtr ; *pitūsu* S,M, *pitīsu* K.

§ 60. Fem. nouns ending in -r.

- (i) Gen. (dat.) sg. : ends in -u at Kq. cf. -mātū.

(ii) Loc. sg. : ends in -i at G. cf. *mātari*.

(iii) Gen. pl. : ends in -na in S,M. cf. *spasuna*.

§ 61. Bases ending in consonants : As in other Prakrits, such bases in these inscriptions are brought over to the -a declension. Yet in some forms the Sk. consonantal declension survives with the necessary phonetic changes.

§ 62. Present Participles ending in -at :

(i) Nom. sg. Mas. : ends in -um or -u and -o in G ; in the East the ending is -am⁶⁶ or -e of which the former is seen in other non-Western regions.

karum, *karu* and *karoto* G ; *saṃtaṃ* S,M,K,D,J,PE, *kalasṃtaṃ* mk ;

mahaṃte D,J (following the -a declension).

- (ii) Gen. sg. : ends in -sa in M. cf. *aśatasa*.

(iii) Nom. pl. Masc. : ends in -o in G ; and -a (for -ā or -e) in s.

tiśaṃto G ; *saṃta* s.

§ 63. Other bases ending in -at :

66. Ending -am < Sk. -an. See HULTZSCH, p. lxxvii.

- (i) Nom. sg. : ends in *-a* at K,S,M and Mth, in *-am* in other PE, and in *-e* at sn.

pajāvṛa K, *prajava* S,M, *kiya* Mth ; *kiyam* other PE, *bhagavam* rm ;
āvate sn.

- (ii) Inst. sg. ends in *-ā*. cf. *bhagavatā* bh ; *hetuvatā* K.

§ 64. Mas. nouns ending in *-an* :

- (i) Nom. sg. : ends in *-ā* as in Sk.

rājā G,S,M ; *lājā* K,D,J,PE, MRE.

- (a) It is optionally shortened in all versions and exceptionally at G.

Yona-rāja G ; *lāja* K,D,J,PE, MRE.

- (ii) Acc. sg. : ends in *-am* cf. *atānam* d,j.

- (iii) Inst. sg. : ends in *-ā* in all versions.

rājā G,S ; *rajina* M ; *lājinā* K,D,J,MRE ; *atanā* PE(T,Ksb).

mahatpanā sd, yr.

- (a) Final *-ā* is shortened in Rdh, Mth, Rp. cf. *atana*. It is shortened in Mysore group. Also cf. *mahātpena*. (But this seems to be due to transference to the *-a* declension, the base then being *mahātpa* < Sk. *mahātman*.)

- (iv) Gen. sg. : Western ending is *-o* and Eastern *-e*.

rājño G,S ; *lājine* K,D,J ; *rajine* M.

- (v) Nom. pl. : Western ending is *-o* and Eastern *-e*.

rājāno G,S ; *lājāne* K,D,J,PE.

- (a) *-o* is found occasionally at K, cf. *lājāno*.

- (b) The final vowel is changed to *-i* in S, cf. *rajani*.

- (c) It follows *-a* declension only in Mysore group and ends in *-ā*.
cf. *mahātṣā* br, sd. (cf. the above note on *mahātpena*).

- (vi) Inst. pl. : ends in *-hi*. cf. *lājīhi* PE.

§ 65. Neut. nouns ending in *-an* :

- (i) Nom. sg. : ending in the North and N-West is *-am* but *-e* in the East.

kramam S,M ; *kaṁmam* K ; *kaṁme* D,J,K.

- (ii) Acc. sg. : Eastern ending is *-am* which is presented with the loss of anusvāra in some of the versions.

kaṁmam D,J ; *nāma* Major RE and PE.

- (a) The final *-a* is sometimes lengthened in K. cf. *nāmā*.

- (iii) Inst. sg. : ends in *-na*. cf. *kaṁmana* d,j.

- (iv) Dat. sg. : North and N-West give *-ye*, and East gives *-ne*. (cerebralised to *-ne* in M according to HULTZSCH's reading).

kaṁmaye S ; *kaṁmāye* K, *kaṁmane* D,J ; *kramaṇe* M.

- (v) Gen. sg. : ends in *-sa*. cf. *kaṁmasa* d,j.

- (vi) Acc. pl. : ends in *-āni*. cf. *kaṁmāni* PE.

§ 66. Mas. nouns ending in *-as* :

- (i) Nom. pl. : ends in *-ā* (cf. *-a* declen.) : *avimanā* PE.

§ 67. Neut. nouns ending in *-as* :

- (i) Acc. sg. : ending *-o* occurs in the West and East alike, but *-e* occurs only in the non-Western area.

yaso G,K,D,J ; *yaśo* S,M ; *bhuye* S,M,K,PE ; *daviye* d.

(a) Ending *-a* is noted in G, cf. *bhuya*.

§ 68. Mas. nouns ending in *-in* :

(i) Nom. sg. : ends in *ī* (short in the West and long in the East).

Piyadasi G,K,J,T,MiRdh,Mth,Rp, bh ; *Priyadraśi* S,M ; *Piyadasī* K,D,J, Ksb, bh.

(ii) Inst. sg. : ends in *-ā* in all versions except those in the N-East where the term. is *-a*.

Priyadasinā G, *-draśina* S,M, *Piyadasinā* K,D,J,bb, *amtevēśinā* Mysore Gr. ; but *Piyadasina* rm, ng.

(iii) Dat. sg. (?) : *-e* cf. *Piyadaśine* K ; *-dasine* D,J ; *-daśine* M.

(a) Once *-a* appears at the end. cf. *-draśina* M.

(iv) Gen. sg. : *-no* is found in the West and *-ne* in other regions. The ending *-sā* (cf. *-a* declen.) is found only in the North and North-West.

Priyadasino G ; *Piyadasine* K,D,J ; *Priyadraśine* M. But *Priyadraśisa* S ; *Piyadasisā* K.

(a) Ending *-na* is obtained at yr. cf. *yathācārma*.

(v) Acc. pl. : ending *-ni* (cf. neut. decl.) is found in the East, South, and the North. In the N-West we get *-na* or *-ne*.

hathīni K,D,J ; *atevēśina* yr ; *astina* S ; *astine* M.

(vi) Loc. pl. : ending *-su*, cf. *amtevēśisu* yr.

§ 69. Neut. nouns ending in *-in* :

(i) Nom. pl. : ends in *-ni*, cf. *-gāmini* PE.

§ 70. Fem. noun *diś* :

(i) Acc. sg. : ends in *-ā*. cf. *diśā* (for *diśām*) K.

§ 71. Fem. base ending in *-ad* (*pariśad-*) :

(i) Nom. sg. : ends in *-ā* : *palisā* K,D,J ; *parisā* G ; *pariśa* M, *pari[ś*]* S.

(ii) Loc. sg. : *-yañ* in the East and West and *-ye* in the North and N-West. *palisāyañ* J ; *parisāyañ* G ; *pariśaye* S,M ; *palisāye* K.

(a) The loss of final anusvāra results in the lengthening of the preceding vowel. cf. *parisāyā* D.

(B) PRONOUNS

§ 72. The declined forms of Pronouns mostly correspond to the Sk. forms with the necessary phonetic changes. The base *apha-* for the 1st pers. pron. and *tupha-* for the 2nd pers. pron. are peculiar to these inscriptions. The grammatical distinction in the different genders is sometimes obscured so that the same forms are used for two or three genders. As will be seen the initial *y-* of the relative pronoun is dropped in the Eastern dialect, but it is never turned to *j-* as in later Prakrits.

§ 73. First Personal Pronoun : Important forms are *hakam* in nom. sg., *maye* in nom. pl., base *mama-* in instr. and abl. sg., and *apha-* in pl. forms. The initial *h-* in some of the forms is equally noteworthy.

(i) Nom. sg. : G,S,M give the Sk. form *aham* (M gives also *aam*). Other versions in all regions give *hakam* (< **ahakam*).⁶⁷

(ii) Acc. sg. : *man* occurs in PE.

67. PISCHEL, Gr § 417.

(iii) Ins. sg :

1. *maā* G,S,M,br, and yr.
2. *mahayā*⁶⁸ K,D,J,T,b.
3. *me* K,D,Rdh, Mth, kpb, yr.
- (a) 4. *mamiyā* occurs once in T.
- (b) 5. *mamāye* occurs in d.
- (c) 6. *mamiyāye* occurs in j, and
7. *hamiyāye* occurs in bh.

(iv) Abl. sg. : *mamale* d, j.

(v) Gen. sg. :

1. *mama* G,K,D,J,PE.
2. *maa*⁶⁹ S,M.
3. *me* Major RE, PE, MRE (*mai* to be read as *me* in br.)
- (a) anusvāra is added at the end and once we get *mamāṃ* j.
- (b) Final -a is lengthened. cf. *mamā* K,D,T,Mi.
- (c) *hamā*⁷⁰ is given by bh.

(vi) Nom. pl. : *maye* d, j, (< Sk. *vayaṃ* under the influence of *mayā* cf. HULTZSCH p. cvi).(vii) Acc. pl. *aphe* d ; *apheni* j. (cf. the Sk. base *asma-* in *asmān*).(viii) Gen. pl. : 1. *ne* K,d,j. 2. *aphākā* d.(ix) Loc. pl. : *aphesū* d,j.§ 74. Second Personal Pronoun : The base is *tupha-*⁷¹ (< **tuṣma-*).

- (i) Nom. pl. : *tuphe* d, j, sn, pr ; *pre* j.
- (ii) Acc. pl. : *tupheni* j.
- (iii) Inst. pl. : *phehī* d, j.
- (iv) Dat. pl. : *ve* (< Sk. *vaḥ*) mk (used for nom. pl.).
- (v) Gen. pl. : *tuphāka* d, j ; *tuphākāṃ* sn ; *tupaka* ru.
- (vi) Loc. pl. : *tuphesu* d, j.

§ 75. Third Person Pron. Mas. : Base *ta-* (or -*sa* in nom.).

- (i) Nom. sg. : *so* G,S ; *se* K,M,D,J,PE and MRE.
 - (a) G once gives the form *sā*.
 - (b) Similarly S gives the form *sa*.
 - (c) The forms *še* and *śe* at K are only graphical.
 - (d) d and j give *te*.
- (ii) Acc. sg. : *so* G ; but *taṃ* K, S, M.
- (iii) Inst. sg. : ends in -*na*. cf. *tena* Major RE and PE.
 - (a) Final -a is optionally lengthened at K, cf. *tenā*.
- (iv) Dat. sg. : ends in -*ya* in the West and -*ye* elsewhere.
 tāya G ; *tāye* S,M,K.

68. The form *mamae* is given by Hēmacandra, III. 109.

69. *maa* = Pkt. *maha*, Sk. *mama* under the influence of dat. sg. *mahyam*, see MICHELSON JAOS 30.85, x. 2.

70. This seems to be a compromise between *mamā* and **ham* < *aham*. See HULTZSCH, p. cxxvii.

71. This again is a compromise between the Sk. base *yuṣma-* and nom. sg. *tvam*. See HULTZSCH, p. cvi.

- (v) Abl. sg. : *taphā*⁷² and *tā* K.
- (vi) Gen. sg. : ends in *-sa*. cf. *tasa* Major RE.
 (a) With *-ā* at the end in K cf. *tasā*.
 (b) Forms *taśa* and *taā* at K are graphical.
- (vii) Loc. sg. : Western ending is *-mhi* and elsewhere *-si*.
tamhi G ; *tasi* S,M,D,J.
 (a) Form *taśi* at K is graphical.
- (viii) Nom. pl. : *te* Major and Minor RE, PE.
se D and Mysore Gr.
- (ix) Inst. pl. : ends in *-hi*, cf. *tehi* K.
- (x) Dat. pl. : ends in *-hi*, cf. *tehi* G,K,M.
- (xi) Gen. pl. : *-saṃ* G,J,Rdh,Mth, Rp. cf. *tesaṃ*.
-saṃ S, K cf. *teṣaṃ*
-saṃ S, K, cf. *tānaṃ* (cf. nominal declension).
 (a) Final anusvāra omitted. cf. *tesa* G,d ; *teṣa* S,M.
- (xii) Loc. pl. : *-su* : *tesu* PE.
- § 76. Third Pers. Pron.—Feminine : Base *tā-* (or *sā-* in nom.).
 (i) Nom. sg. : *-ā* : *sā* G,K ; *sa* S,M.
 (a) K graphically gives *ṣā*.
 (ii) Acc. sg. : *-aṃ* : *taṃ* PE.
 (iii) Dat. sg. *-ye* : *tāye* PE.
 (iv) Acc. pl. : *-a* (i.e. *-ā*) : *ta* (for *tā*) S,M.
- § 77. Third Pers. Pron.—Neut. : Base *ta-* (or *sa-*).
 (i) Nom. Acc. sg. : *ta* G,K ; *taṃ* S,D,J,PE (only Acc.), MIRE (only Acc.), *se* K,M,D,J,PE, MRE (also Mysore Gr.).
 (a) *se* is exceptionally found in G.
 (b) *ṣe* is graphical at K ; it is also found at Kq.
 (c) *so* and *sa* also occur at S.
 (ii) Nom. Acc. pl. : *-ni* : cf. *tāni* d, PE.
 (a) Forms *ṣa* in S and *ṣe* in M are perhaps mas.
- § 78. Pronominal base *na-* (cf. Hemacandra III. 70-77).
 (i) Acc. pl. Masc. : *ne* G.
 (ii) Acc. pl. Neut. : *nāni* G, PE.
- § 79. Demonstrative *etad* : Mas. The base is either *eta-* (and *esa-* in nom.) or *etaka-*.
 (i) Nom. sg. :
esā G,D,PE (with *esā* cf. *sā* and *Magā*).
ese K.
eṣe K,S,M, *eṣa* K,M.
 (ii) Inst. sg. : *-na* : *etakena* S,M,D,J ; *etena* PE.
 (a) Final *-a* is lengthened at K, cf. *etakenā*.
 (iii) Dat. sg. : *-ya* in the Western and Southern and *-ye* in other regions.
etāya, *etakāya* G, (K),yr ; *etāye*, S,M,K,D,J,PE, *etakāye* S,M,K(?),D.

72. *taphā* < **tamhā* < Sk. *tasmāt*, cf. BÜHLER, ZDMG 37. 592.

(iv) Gen. sg. : The base becomes *eti*-⁷³ ; *etiṣā* K (note the final -ā) ; *etiṣa* S,M ; but *etasa* M,D,J.

(v) Loc. sg. : -*mhi* in the West and -*si* in the East. *etamhi* G ; *etasi* d,j.

(vi) Nom. pl. : *ete* G,d,PE, *etā* S,M.

(vii) Loc. pl. : -*su* cf. *etesu* PE.

§ 80. Demonstrative *etad* : Fem. (base *esā-* or *etākā-*).

(i) Nom. sg. : -ā : *esā* G,RE, Mysore Gr. : *eṣa* K,S,M, *etā(ta)kā* j ; *hesā* yr.

§ 81. Demonstrative *etad* : Neuter (The base is *eta-* or *esa-*).

(i) Nom. sg. :

1. -*a* or -*amī* cf. *eta* or -*am* G,S,M ; *esa* (or *esā*) G,D,J,PE,MRE.
(cf. Hem. 3.85).

2. -*e* cf. *ese* or *eṣe* K,S,M,b ; *etake* S.

(ii) Acc. sg. : -*a* or -*am*, cf. *eta* G ; *etam* D,J,PE.

(iii) Inst. s. : -*na*, -*nā* and -*ni*, cf. *etena* S, *etinā* ru, and *eteni* (for -*nā*) bh.

(iv) Dat. sg. : -*ya* : *etiya* ru (note the base *eti-*) ; *etāya* br. sd.

(v) Nom. Acc. pl. : -*ni* : *etāni* K,S,M,J,PE.

§ 82. Demonstrative *idam*,—Mas.

(i) Nom. sg. : *ayaṁ* G,K,S,M,D,J, *iyaṁ* K,D,J,MRE.

(a) In the North-West we get also *ayi* S,M.

(b) Loss of anusvāra is found in ru and mk, cf. *iya*.

(ii) Acc. sg. : *ima* or *imaṁ* MRE.

(iii) Inst. sg. : *iminā* G,br,sd,yr ; *imena* J.

(iv) Dat. sg. : *imāye* D,ru.

(v) Gen. sg. : *imasa* G,M,D ; *imasā* K ; *imisa* S (note the base *imi-*).

(vi) Loc. sg. : *imamhi* G.

(vii) Nom. pl. : *ime* G,K,D,M,T,br,sd,jtr.

(viii) Inst. pl. : *imehi* D,J.

§ 83. Demonstrative *idam*,—Feminine.

(i) Nom. sg. : *ayaṁ* G ; *iyaṁ* G,K,M,Rdh, bb.

(a) *aya* and *ayi* also occur at S(M).

(ii) Acc. sg. : *imaṁ* PE.

(iii) Dat. sg. : *imāya* G,K ; *imāye* D,M ; *imisa* S (an imperfect spelling of Pāli *imissā* cf. HULTZSCH, p. xciii).

(iv) Loc. sg. : *imāyaṁ* Kpb.

§ 84. Demonstrative *idam*,—Neut.

(i) Nom. sg. : *idam* G,S,M ; *ayaṁ* G ; *iyaṁ* K,S,M,D,J,PE, MRE.

(a) Final anusvāra is dropped, cf. *iya* Mysore Gr., M ; *ida* G,S.

(b) The N-Western dialect also furnishes the forms *imam*, *ima* and *iyo*.

(ii) Acc. sg. : *idam* G ; *imam* K,S,M,D,J,MRE.

(iii) Nom. pl. : *imāni* PE.

§ 85. Relative *yad-*, Masculine. In the forms of all genders of this pronoun the loss of initial *y-* appears as an Eastern characteristic with its influence over other regions. It never occurs in the West.

73. This base is perhaps due to analogy with Pāli *kissa* : *kassa* cf. HULTZSCH, p. xciii.

- (i) Nom. sg. : -o in the West and N-West, -e elsewhere.
yo G,S,(M); ye K,M,D,J,PE.
(a) initial y- is dropped and we get e K,D,J,PE,MRE.
- (ii) Inst. sg. : -na cf. yena K,S,M,PE.
(a) ena is given by T,d,j.
- (iii) Gen. sg. : -sa : yasa G,S,M.
(a) With the loss of initial y-, asa D,J and with the lengthening of final -a, asā K.
- (iv) Nom. pl. : ye G,K,S,M,D,J,PE.
(a) The form yā is given by ru.
(b) The loss of initial y- results in the form e K,M,D,J,jtr.
- (v) Gen. pl. : -saṃ or -ṣaṃ, yesaṃ G; yeṣaṃ K, M; yeṣa S.
- (vi) Loc. pl. : -ṣu, -su, or -ṣu cf. yeṣu K; yesu S; yeṣu M.

§ 86. Relative yad-,—Feminine.

- (i) Nom. sg. : -ā : yā D,T; ya S,M.
(a) Loss of y- cf. ā d,j.
 - (ii) Nom. pl. : -ā : yā G; ya S,M.
- § 87. Relative yad-,—Neuter.
- (i) Nom. sg. : ya G,yr., yaṃ S,M,yr, ye K,M,PE.
(a) Loss of y- : e K,D,J,PE,MRE.
(b) kālśi dialect also gives the forms -a and -aṃ.
 - (ii) Acc. sg. : yaṃ or ya G,K,S,M,MRE.
(a) aṃ K,D,J,s.
(b) e M,K.
(c) The Mas. form yo is given by the N-Western dialect.
 - (iii) Nom. pl. : yāni G, PE.
(a) āni D,J.

§ 88. Interrogative Pronoun,—Masculine.

- (i) Nom. sg. : -o in the West and -e in other regions.
ko-ci G; ke-cā D,J; ke-cha K; ke-chi M.
(a) Ending -a is found in ka-ci at S.
- (ii) Inst. sg. kena-ṭi in sn; *kinā in kinasu T (cf. kinā, Hemacandra, III, 69; PISCHEL, *Grammatik* § 428 and HULTZSCH, p. cxix).
- (iii) Abl. sg. : a-kasmā d,j.
- (iv) Acc. pl. : -āni cf. kāni PE.

§ 89. Interrogative Pronoun,—neuter : As in Mas. most of the forms occur with the particle -cit.

- (i) Nom., Acc. sg. ki- or kim- G,K,S,M,D,J,PE,MRE.
(a) In G kaṃ occurs as an indefinite; the form occurs in D,J, also.
(b) ke-ci for kiṃci is given by bh.
(c) PE give forms as kimaṃ and kiṃmaṃ in the Acc.
- (ii) Nom., Acc. pl. : kāni K,D,J,PE.

§ 90. Pronominal base anya-, Masculine.

- (i) Nom. sg. : ending -e appears even in G under the Eastern influence.
aṃñe G; aṇe S,M; aṃne K,D,J,PE.
(a) The final -e > -ī in the N-Western dialect, cf. aṃñī S.

- (ii) Dat. sg. : -ya in the West and -ye elsewhere.
añāya G; añāye S,M; amñāye K,D,J.
- (iii) Gen. sg. : -sa. -amñāsa G; -añāsa S,M.
(a) Final -a > ā in K, cf. -anaṣā (-ṣ- being graphical).
- (iv) Loc. sg. : -mhi, cf. añamhi G.
- (v) Nom. pl. : -e in all versions.
amñe or añe G,S,M; amne K,D,PE.
- (vi) Gen. pl. : -nañ, cf. amñānañ T.
- (vii) Loc. pl. : -su, cf. amnesu D,T.

§ 91. Pronominal base *anya-* Neuter.

- (i) Nom. sg. : -a or -añ occurs in the West and N-West and -e in other regions.
añā G, añāñ S; amne K,D,J,Kq; añe M.
(a) -e occurs in G. cf. añe.
(b) -a occurs in T, cf. ana.
- (ii) Nom., Acc. pl. : -ni in all versions.
añāni G,S,M; amñāni K,D,J,PE.

§ 92. Pronominal base *sarva-*, Masculine.

- (i) Nom. sg. : -e, save PE.
- (ii) Acc. sg. : -añ, savañ K,D,J,S,M (savrañ).
- (iii) Inst. sg. : -na, savena d,j.
(a) The dental is cerebralised, cf. saveṇā j
- (iv) Gen. sg. : -sa, savasa d,j
- (v) Loc. sg. : -e in the West and -si in the North. save G; savasi T.
- (vi) Nom. pl. : -e in all versions. cf. save Major RE.
- (vii) Loc. pl. : -su in all versions, but -ṣu in the North and North-West.
savesu G,D,J,K,T,sn., saveṣu S,M.

§ 93. Pron. base *sarva-*, Feminine.

- (i) Nom. sg. : -ā, ṣavā K.

§ 94. Pron. base *sarva-*,—Neuter.

- (i) Nom. sg. : -añ in the West and N-West and -e elsewhere.
sarvañ G; savrañ S,M; save K,D,J, sarve b.
(a) -a occurs at K and yr in sava.
(b) -e occurs at S,M. cf. savre.
- (ii) Acc. sg. : -añ everywhere, cf. savañ G,K,S,D.

§ 95. Pron. base *ekatarā-*.

- (i) Loc. sg. : ending -mhi in the West, -e⁷⁴ in the N-West and -si in the North.
ekataramhi G; ekatare S¹, ekatalaṣi (i.e. -si) K.

§ 96. Pron. base **ekatya*-⁷⁵

- (i) Nom. pl. Mas. : -ā, ekacā G; ekatiyā K,D,J,M; ekatia S.

§ 97. Pron. base *itara-*.

- (i) Nom. sg. Neut. : -e, itale K; itare M.

§ 98. Pron. base *ubhaya-*.

- (i) Gen. pl. : -sañ, ubhayesañ K,M.
(a) Final anusvāra is dropped in S. cf. ubhayesa.

74. This is the reading of HULTZSCH; others read *ekataraspi*.

75. For Pāli *ekaca-* cf. GEIGER, *Pāli*, § 113.

II. NUMERALS

(A) CARDINALS

§ 99. ONE : Mas. and Neut. base *eka-*

(i) Nom. sg. Mas. : -o in the West and -e elsewhere.
eko G ; *eke* M,K,D,J,sn (*ikike*).

(ii) Acc. sg. Neut. : -am, *ekam* S,M,yr.

(iii) Inst. sg. : -na, *ekena* d,j.

§ 100. One : Fem. base *ikā-* (for *ekā-*).

(i) Nom. sg. : -ā, *ikā* sn.

(ii) Acc. sg. : -am, *ikam* sn.

§ 101. Two : Mas. and Neut. : *dva-* or *duva-*.

(i) Nom. Masc. : -o in the West and -e elsewhere.
dvo G ; *duve* S,M,K,D,J.

(a) The final -e > -i at S, cf. *duvi*.

(ii) Nom. Neut. : -e, *duve* s.

(iii) Inst. : -hi, *duvehi* PE.

§ 102. Two : Fem. base : *dva-* or *duva-*.

(i) Nom. : -e in G and -i in S : *dve* G, *duvi* S.

§ 103. THREE : Mas. and Neut. : base *ti-* or *tri-* (*traya-*) :

(i) Nom. Mas. : -ī at G and O at S : *tī* or *trī* G ; *trayo* S.

(ii) Nom. Acc. Neut. : -ni, *tinī* K,M, and *timni* K,D,J,P7 (= Pkt. *timni*).

§ 104. THREE : Fem. base *ti-*.

(i) Loc. : -su, *tisu* PE.

§ 105. FOUR : Mas. and Neut. forms are taken from Sk.

(i) Nom. Mas. : -o, *catpāro* G.

(ii) Acc. Masc. : -e *cature* S,M.

(iii) Nom. Neut. : -i, *catāli* K (this form is used for Mas.).

§ 106. FIVE : *pañca-*.

(i) Loc. : -su, *pañcasu* G,K,D,J ; -ṣu S,M.

§ 107. SIX : *ṣa-*.

(i) Loc. : -ṣu, *ṣaṣu* S,M,K.

§ 108. EIGHT : *aṭha* S,M,K.

§ 109. TEN : *dasa* G,K,D,J ; *daśa* S,M.

§ 110. TWELVE : *dbādasa* G ; *badaya(śa)* s⁷⁶ ; *duvādasa* K,T,Rdh,Rp,bb ;
duvādasa D,J ; *duvadaśa* and *duvaḍaśa* M ; *duvāḷasa* Mth.

§ 111. THIRTEEN : *traidasa* G ; *tedasa* K,D,J ; *treḍasa* M ; *todaśa* S.⁷⁷

§ 112. FOURTEEN : *codasa* ng.

§ 113. NINETEEN : *ekunavīsati* bb.

§ 114. TWENTY : *vīsati* rm, ng.

§ 115. TWENTY-FIVE : *pañnavīsati* PE.

§ 116. TWENTY-SIX : *saḍuvīsati* PE.

§ 117. TWENTY-SEVEN : *satavisati* T.

§ 118. FIFTY-SIX : *śapamnā* s.

76. The Niya form is *badaśa*, see BURROW § 89.

77. The Niya form is *trodasa*, see BURROW § 89.

§ 119. HUNDRED : base *sata-*.

- (i) Nom. pl. Masc. : *-ā, satā* MRE.
- (ii) Acc. pl. Neut. : *-ni, satāni* or *śatani* Major RE.
- (iii) Inst. pl. : *-hi, satehi* or *śatehi* Major RE.
- (iv) Loc. pl. : *-ṣu, ṣateṣu* K, *śateṣu* S, *sateṣu* M.

§ 120. THOUSAND : base *sahas-*.

- (i) Loc. pl. : *-su, sahasesu* j ; *sahasasum*⁷⁸ d (as read by HULTZSCH ; others read *-su*).

§ 121. HUNDRED-THOUSAND : base *sata-sahas-*.

- (i) Nom. sg. : *-e, śata-sahasre* S,M ; *śata-śahaśe* K.
- (ii) Nom. pl. : *-ni, śata-sahasrāni* G ; *-sahasani* S, *-sahasrani* M, *-sahasāni* K,D,J.
- (iii) Loc. pl. : *-su, śata-sahasesu* PE.

(B) ORDINALS :

§ 122. FOURTEENTH : *cāvudasā* PE.

§ 123. FIFTEENTH : *paññaḍasā* PE ; *pañncadasā* Ksb. *paññaḷasā* Rdh, Mth.

§ 124. HUNDREDTH : *śata-* S,M ; *śata-* K.

§ 125. THOUSANDTH : *sahasra-* S, M ; *śahaśa-* K.

III. CONJUGATION

§ 126. As in declension, the conjugational system of the inscriptions is much simplified. Thus the dual number is altogether lost and the middle voice lingers on only in the West. Yet as the forms given below will bear out, in comparison with later Prakrits, the conjugational system of the Aśokan inscriptions still bears an archaic nature. The ten classes of verbs found in the old system are mostly reduced to the *-a* class, and in some measure to the *-aya* class. The full forms in Sanskrit with the necessary phonetic changes are also inherited in some cases.

§ 127. PRESENT INDICATIVE,—Active.

- (i) 1st pers. sg. : *-mi* in all versions.

karomi G ; *karemi* S,M ; *palakamāmi* D,J ; *vidahāmi* PE.

ichāmi MRE ; *sumi* MRE.

(a) *-ni* in *palakamāni* at K is a mistake.

- (ii) 3rd pers. sg. : *-ti* in all versions.

ichati S,M,K,D,J ; *dekhati* PE ; *pasati* G ; *hoti* Mysore Gr ; *athi* ru, s ; *ānapayati* yr.

- (iii) 1st pers. pl. : *-ma, susuma* yr.

- (iv) 3rd pers. pl. : *-anti* in all versions except G.

-ati (with loss of anusvāra) G and all other versions.

ichati, prāpunati G ; *ichanti* S,M,K,D,J ; *laghanti* PE.

vaṣati K ; *vasati* S,M ; *kaleti* D,J.

§ 128. PRESENT INDICATIVE,—Middle.

- (i) 3rd sg. : *-te* occurs only in the West ; other regions give active *-ti*.

karote G ; but *kaleti* K,D,J, *karoti* S,M.

(a) *-ti* occurs in G cf. *karoti*.

(b) *-te* occurs in D cf. *mainate*.

78. For the use of *-(e)sum* in literary Prakrits HULTZSCH compares PISCHEL, Gr. § 371.

(ii) 3rd pl. :

1. *-te* in G alone. cf. *karonte*.
2. *-re⁷⁹* in G, *anuvalate* ; but *anuvalanti* K, *anuvalanti* S.

§ 129. PRESENT SUBJUNCTIVE,—Active.

- (i) 1st sg. : *-mi* in all versions. The term is of indicative.
sukhāpayāmi G ; *sukhāyāmi* K,S,M,D,J ; *sāvāpayāmi* PE.
 (a) Final *-i* > *i*, cf. *āvahāmi* Rdh.

(ii) 3rd sg. :

1. *-ā* (< *-āt* ?) G, *manñā⁸⁰*.
2. *-tu* K. The term. is of imperative, *susuṣātu*.
3. *-ti* sn. The term. is of indicative, *huvāti*.

(iii) 1st pl. : *-ma* at M. *dipayama*.

(iv) 2nd pl. : *-thā*, *nikhīpātha* and *vivāsāpayāthā* sn ; *likhāpayāthā* s.

(v) 3rd pl. :

1. *-tu* at K, *palakamātu*.
2. *-vū* at D, J. The term is of optative cf. *nikhamāvū*.

§ 130. SUBJUNCTIVE Middle.

- (i) 3rd pl. : *-te* only at M. *parakramate* (HULTZSCH's reading).

§ 131. OPTATIVE Active.

- (i) 1st sg. : *-eyam* in the West and the N.-West and *-eham* elsewhere.
gacheyam G ; *vaceyam* S ; *yeham* K,K,D,J
abhyunnāmayeham T.

(ii) 3rd sg. :

1. *va*, *asa* G. (= Pāli *assa* for **asyāt*).⁸¹
2. *-e*, *bhāve* G ; *ugacha*(*che*) d.
3. *-eyā⁸²*, in all versions *tisteya* G ; *nivāṇeyā* K ; *dakheyā* d,j ;
anupaṭipajeyā T, *adhigacheyā* mk.
4. *-yā*, *siyā* S,M,D,J,PE, MRE.
5. *-ti*, (indicative term.) in North and N.-West. *siyāti* K,S,M.
6. *-vā*, *pāpovā* PE.

(iii) 1st pl. : *-ema*, *dipayema* G,K ; *gachema* d,j.

(iv) 3rd pl. :

1. *-u* G,K,S,M, cf. *asu* (= Pāli *assu* for **asyuḥ*)⁸³
2. *-eyā* in all versions ; *vaseyū* S,M,G ; *huveyu* K, *caleyū* j ;
pakameyu br, sd ; *suneyu* bb.
3. *-evā*, in non-Western regions ; *vasevu* K ; *calevū* d ; *pavatayevū* and
upadahevū PE, *jānevu* yr.
4. *-vu*, *yāvu* sn.

§ 132. OPTATIVE,—Middle.

- (i) 3rd sg. : *-tha⁸⁴* only in G, *paṭipajetha* ; other versions give active forms like *paṭipajeyā* S,M,K,D,J.

79. For the use of *-re* in Vedic Sk., Pkt., and Pāli cf. PISCHEL § 458.

80. With this form HULTZSCH compares such Vedic forms as *paśyāt*, see p. lxvii.

81. HULTZSCH, p. lxvii.

82. For parallels to this contracted term, cf. HULTZSCH, p. lxxxii.

83. HULTZSCH, p. lxvii.

84. For this term. cf. GEIGER, Pāli, §129.

(ii) 3rd pl. (desiderative): *-era* only in G, *susumīsera*; other versions have *śuśuṣeyu* K, *śuśruṣeyu* S,M.

§ 133. IMPERATIVE,—Active.

(i) 3rd sg. : *-tu*, *hotu* K,D,J,HE,MRE ; *bhotu* S,M.

(ii) 2nd pl. : *-tha* in all versions. (indicative ending).

paṭivedetha G ; *dekhattha* d,j, *likhāpayatha* s ; *nīvesayātha* yr.

(a) *-ta* is obtained in *lekḥāpeta* ru.

(iii) 3rd pl. : *-amtu*, *yujamtu* Major RE ; *anupaṭipajamtu* PE. *jānamtu* Kpb.

(a) The anusvāra is dropped in *nīyātu* G ; *manatu* K ; *mañātu* S.

(b) *-ru* (due to the influence of middle ending) occurs only at G, cf. *sruṇāru*.

§ 134. IMPERATIVE,—Middle.

(i) 3rd sg. passive : *-tān* only in G. *anuvidhiyatān* ; S,M,K give active, *anuvidhiyatu*.

desider. : *-tā* only in G, *susrusatā* ; but active forms such as *susuṣātu* (K), *susūsatu* (DJ) are found in other versions.

(ii) 3rd pl. : *-raṁ* in G, *anuvataṛaṁ*, but active *anuvataṛamtu* K, *-vatatu* S,D.

§ 135. IMPERFECT,—Active.

(i) 3rd sg. form of *bhū* is *aho* (< **abhot*⁸⁵?) everywhere.

§ 136. AORIST,—Active.

(i) 1st sg. : *-saṁ*, *husaṁ* Mysore gr. *-sa*, *husa* yr.

(ii) 3rd sg. : *-mi*, *nikrami* S,M ; *nikhami* D.

(iii) 3rd pl. : *-su*, *ñayāsu*⁸⁶ G ; *nikhamisu* K,D,J ; *abhuvasu*⁸⁷ S,M ; *husu* PE,MRE.

(a) *-ñsu*, *ahumñsu*⁸⁸ G.

(b) *-ṣu*, *nikramiṣu* S,M ; *maniṣu* K.

§ 137. AORIST,—Subjunctive.

(i) 3rd pl. : *-ṣu*, *mañiṣu* S,M. *-sā*, *alocayisā* D,J,M,K.

§ 138. AORIST,—Middle.

(i) 3rd sg. : *-thā*⁸⁹ *nikhamithā* K, *huthā* and *vadhithā* T. The middle forms occur in K and T only exceptionally. Active forms are employed elsewhere. Cf. *nikromi* S,M ; *nikhami* D.

(a) The ending is cerebralised in *nikhamithā* So.

§ 139. PERFECT,—Active.

(i) 3rd sg. of 'to speak' : The forms are *āhā* in all versions.

(a) Forms *ahati* and *hahati* occur in S.

§ 140. FUTURE,—Active : The occasional change of *-s-* to *-h-* in the plural term is noteworthy.

85. HULTZSCH, p. lxviii.

86. This equals Sk. **nyayāsuḥ*, HULTZSCH, p. lxviii.

87. The term. *-su* affixed to Sk. Aorist form *abhūvan*, cf. JOHANSSON, *Dialect der Shāh. Redaction*, § 30.

88. This is based on 3rd sg. *chu-* (= Sk. *abhūt*, HULTZSCH, p. lxviii).

89. For Pāli and Ardha-Māgadhī term. *-ithā*, see MÜLLER, *Pāli Gr.* p. 115 and PISCHEL, *Gr.* § 517.

(i) 1st sg. :

1. *-sam* or *-šan*, in the West, N-West and PE. *likhāpayisaṃ* G ; *palibhasayisaṃ* PE, *kaṣaṃ* S.
2. *-sāmi*, *-sāmi* in the East and N-West. *lekhāpeśāmi* K,S,M, *hosāmi* D,J.

(a) M once gives *-sami* cf. *kaṣami*.(b) K once gives *kachāmi*.(ii) 3rd sg. : *-sati*, *-ṣati* or *-ṣati* almost in all versions.*āṇḍpayisati* G, *khamisati* D,J, *vaḍhisati* S ; *vaḍhisati* PE,s,b ; *āṇḍpayisati* yr ; *kaṣati* S,M.(a) The vowel *-a* in *-sati* becomes *-i-* due to *-y-* (in *-syati*) especially in the South. *vaḍhisiti* br,sd,jtr,mk,Kpb,ru ; *vaḍhasitā* for *-siti* (?) yr.(b) The following inherited forms may be noted. *kachati* K,D,J,PE, *bhākhati* (and *caghati*) PE.(iii) 2nd pl. : *-sathā* and *-hatha*, *esathā* j = *ehatha* d. *ālādhayisathā* d,j.(iv) 3rd pl. : *-santi*, *-ṣanti* or *-ṣanti*.*anusāsīsanti* G,K, *nikhamisanti* D,J ; *aṇapeśanti* and *kaṣanti* S, *vaḍhisanti* PE.(a) Note the forms *kachanti* K,D,J,PE ; *chaghanti* PE.(b) *-s-* > *-h-* in the ending *-hanti*, *dāhanti* PE ; *hohanti* T.

§ 141. FUTURE,—Middle.

(i) 3rd pl. : *-sa-re* only in G, *anuvatisare* ; other versions give active *anuvatisanti* D,K (-*vaṣi-*), *ṣanti* S,M.

§ 142. PASSIVE,—Indicative.

(i) 3rd sg. : *-ti* in non-Western area.*pasavati* K,S,M (*pra-*) ; *khādiyati* PE.(ii) 3rd pl. : *-re* only in the West, *ārabhare* G ; but *-anti* in the rest, *anuvīdhīyanti* K,PE, *ālabbhiyanti* M,D,J.

§ 143. PASSIVE,—Imperative.

(i) 3rd sg. : *-tām* only in G, *anuvīdhīyatām* ; but *anuvīdhīyatu* S,M.(ii) 3rd pl. : *-antū*, *anuvīdhīyantu* K.

§ 144. PASSIVE,—Optative.

(i) 3rd sg. : *-yā*, *diseyā* bh.

(ii) 3rd pl. :

1. *-yā* or *-vū*, *yujeyā* j, *yujevū* d.2. *-su* (Aorist term. see above § 128) *hamñiyasu* S.

§ 145. PASSIVE,—Aorist.

(i) 3rd pl. : *-su*, *ārabhisu* G,M, *arabhiyisu* S, *āla(m)bhiyisu* K,D,J.

§ 146. PASSIVE,—Future.

(i) 3rd pl. : *-sare* in G, *ārabhisare* G ; but *-santi* elsewhere.*susumseta* G ; *śuśuśyu* K ; *śuśruṣeyu* E,M.

§ 147. PASSIVE,—Middle.

(i) 3rd pl. : *-re*, *ārabhare* G ; *-iya-re*, *anuvīdhīyare* G.

§ 148. FUTURE PASSIVE,—Middle.

(i) 3rd pl. : *isa-re*, *ārabhisare* G.

§ 149. DESIDERATIVE,—Imperative.

- (i) 3rd sg. : -
- tā*
- G, -
- tu*
- S,M,D,J.

susrusatā G ; *susūsatu* D,J ; *suśruṣatu* S,M.

§ 150. DESIDERATIVE,—Optative.

- (i) 3rd pl. : -
- ra*
- in G ; -
- yu*
- K,S,M.

susumśera G ; *ṣuṣuṣeyu* K ; *suśruṣyu* S,M.

§ 151. DESIDERATIVE,—Subjunctive.

- (i) 3rd sg. : -
- tu*
- ,
- susuṣātu*
- K.

§ 152. PRESENT PARTICIPLE,—Active.

- (i) -
- anta*
- , or -
- ta*
- (with the loss of anusvāra),
- saṁta*
- Major RE, PE, MRE ;
- kalata*
- K,
- karata*
- S,M ;
- aśata*
- M.

(a) The two forms *karuṁ* and *karu* occur in G as nom. sg. Mas.

§ 153. PRESENT PARTICIPLE,—Middle.

- (i) The ending -
- māna*
- occurs in all versions.

bhumiṇjamāna- G ; *adamāna*- K,D,J ; *aśamana*- S (but active form *aśata*- in M), *viṇṇamāna*- S,K ; *anuvekhamāna*- T, *saṁāna*- (< √as-) br, sd.

- (a) The ending sometimes takes the form -
- mīna*
- . cf.
- saṁpaṭipajamīna*
- d,
- vipaṭipādayamīna*
- d (but active form -
- pātayaṁta*
- in j) ;
- pāyamīna*
- PE ;
- pakamamīna*
- sd,yr,ru,b ;
- palakamamāna*
- s.

- (b) The dental is cerebralised in the South. cf.
- pakamamīna*
- (?) br ;
- saṁāna*
- Kpb.

§ 154. PAST PARTICIPLE,—Passive.

- (i) -
- ta*
- ,
- mata*
- Major RE, T ;
- prakamta*
- Mysore Gr. ;
- pakamta*
- MRE ;
- upayita*
- yr.

(a) The ending is often cerebralised (under the influence of *r*) in non-Western regions. cf. *kaṭa*- M,K,D,J,T, sn,rm,ru,Kpb ; *apakaṭha*- PE ; *vyūṭha*- ru,yr (but *vyūṭha*- br.)

- (ii) -
- na*
- , most of the forms are inherited from Sanskrit.

prasamna- G ; *prasana*- S,M ; *paśamna*- K, -*uvigina*- d,j.

- (a) For Pkt. forms cf.
- diṁna*
- T ;
- dina*
- bb.

- (b) For a few other inherited forms cf.
- ladha*
- G,K,S,M ;
- suḍha*
- S,D,J,So ;
- pata*
- PE ;
- asvatha*
- PE ; etc.

§ 155. FUTURE PARTICIPLE,—Passive.

- (i) -
- tavya*
- used in the West and the South ; -
- taviya*
- (or -
- ṭdviya*
-) in other regions.

katavya- G ; *drahitavya*- Mysore Gr. ; *kaṭaviya*- M,K,D,J,T ; *pūjetaviya* S,M ; *haṁtaviyā*- PE, *dekhitaviya*- MRE.

- (a) -
- ṭaviya*
- occurs in the South, cf.
- kaṭaviya*
- sd, jtr.

- (b) -
- y*
- of the ending is characteristically dropped in S, cf.
- viṇṇetavia*
- .

- (c) -
- vy*
- of the ending is assimilated to -
- v*
- in S, cf.
- kaṭava*
- .

- (d) -
- tavya*
- occurs as an exception in the East. cf.
- saṁcalitavya*
- j (but -
- taviya*
- d).

- (e) forms with -
- tavāya*
- are apparently mistaken cf.
- lā(li)khāpetavaya*
- ru ;
- vīvasetavāya*
- ru.

- (f) similarly
- ichitaya*
- in j is perhaps meant for -
- taviya*
- .

- (ii) -*aniya*- : *vedaniya*- K,S,M ; *asvāsaniya*- j.
 (iii) -*ya* : Most of the forms are assimilated or dissolved and a few are palatalised.
saka- G, Mk, sd ; *śaka*- S,M ; *dupaṭivekha*- PE ; *śakiya*- J,ru,yr,
cakiya- d,j,s,b,Kpb ; *kaca*- G.
 (a) The cluster is preserved in *avadhya*- Rdh (but *avadhiya*- T) ; *cakya*- b.

§ 156. INFINITIVES,

- (i) of Accusa. -*tu* (< -*tum*) : *ārādhetu* G.
 (ii) of Dat. -*tave* (< -*tavai*) : *chamitave* G, *khamitave* D,J ; *bhetave* (< √*bhid*)
 PE ; *jāpotave* MRE ; *ārādheta* yr.
 (a) The dental is cerebralised in *palihata* T.

§ 157. ABSOLUTIVES. The distinction between -*tvā* and -*ya* is not maintained. Of the two types of absolutes, those with -*tvā* are more commonly used.

- (i) -*tpā* (< -*tvā*) : in the West, *ārabhitpā* G.
 (ii) -*tu* (< -*tvā*) : in other versions : *sutu* K,T ; *śrutu* S,M ; *jāntu* d.
 (a) The dental is cerebralised in *kaḷu* d, *kaṭū* j.
 (b) The ending is extended to -*tūnaṁ* in bb. cf. *abhivādetūnaṁ*.⁹⁰
 (iii) -*ya* : *sachāya* (< *saṁ*-√*kṣā*) = *saṁ-khyā* G ; *saṁkhaya* S,M.
 (a) Instead of the form *saṁkheye* at K we are asked to read *saṁkhāya*.
 (b) The final -*a* > -*ā*, cf. *saṁnaṁdhāpayiyā* sn..
 (c) The palatalised form *āgāca* occurs in rm, ng.
 (d) The cluster is preserved in *adhigicya* bh.
 (iv) -*ti* (< Vedic -*tvī*) is found only in the N-Western dialect.⁹¹
 Cf. *tīhiti*, *vijīniti* S ; *draṣeti* M.

90. Cf. PISCHEL, Gr. § 585.

91. It is found in the Niya Prakrit as well. See BURROW, § 102.

CHAPTER II

SYNTAX

§ 158. It is not intended to give here a detailed account of Aśokan syntax.¹ However, such syntactical peculiarities as are observed in the government of cases, case variations, irregularities in concord, absolute constructions and a few others are discussed below. In all such cases where the different versions are unanimous in showing a peculiarity the illustration from only one version is quoted and the others are referred to in brackets. It is hardly necessary to observe again that the study of syntax made in this chapter is on the same comparative lines as in earlier chapters on Phonology and Morphology.

§ 159. Government of Cases :

(a) accusative : The verb $\sqrt{yuj-}$ takes acc. .

(i) ... *imisa athasa vaḍhi yujanhtu* S (RE 4, J)².

(ii) ... *mahāmālā* ... *sasvatam samayam etam yujeyu* j (1, Z).

(b) instrumental :

1. *anyatṛa* takes instr. in the sense 'except, without' .

(i) *hidata-pālate dusamṣaṭṭipādāye aññata agāyā dhammakāmatāyā* ..
T (PE, 1, C).

(ii) *dukale cu iyaṃ* ... *anātā aṇṇā palakamenā* K (RE, 6, N) ;
also cf. RE, 10, E.

2. *param* takes instr. in the sense 'beyond, after' .

(i) ... *paṇaṃ cā tenā Aññiyogenā* ... K (RE, 13, Q).

(ii) ... *paṇaṃ cā tehi ye apatiye* .. K (RE, 5, E).

3. Comparative suffix *-tara* takes instr.

(i) ... *nakkhi hi kammatalā savalokahitenā* K (RE, 6, K). But the G version alone uses abl. cf. ... *sava-loka-hitatpā*.

(ii) *kiṃ hi imena kaṭaviyalalā* J, (9, L). Here the G version also adopts instr.

(c) dative :

1. *ni√sṛj-* takes dat. in the sense 'to entrust'.

(i) *athā hi paṇaṃ viyatāye dhātīye nisijitu asvathe hoti* .. T (PE, 4, I).

(d) ablative :

1. *ā* takes abl. in the sense 'even to, as far as'.

(i) *dupada-catupadesu* ... *vividhe me anugahe kaḷe ā pāna-dakkhināye*
T (PE, 2, E).

(ii) ... *a Tambaṇaṇṇiya* M, 13, Q (see *yāvat* below).

2. *yāvat* takes abl. in the sense 'as far' or 'as long as'.

(i) ... *iyaṃ kaṭaviye magale āva tasā athasā mivutiyā* K (RE, 9, H).

But G version gives dat. cf. ... *āva tassa athasa nistānāya*.

1. Certain peculiarities of Aśokan Syntax have been studied by Dr. JOÉ CANEDO in his *Zur Wort- und Satzstellung in der alt-und mittlereindischen Prosa*.

2. References are to HULTZSCH's edition.

(ii) *avam Tambapanniyā* K, (13, Q; also S).

(e) genitive :

1. $\sqrt{dā}$ - or *dāna* governs gen.

(i) *bamdhana-badhānaṃ munisānaṃ* *me yote diṃne*
T (PE, 4, L).

(ii) *bambhana-samanānaṃ cā sādhu dāne* K, 3, D (also G, S, M). But dative is used in the versions at D and J (3, D).
.... *bambhana-samanehi sādhu dāne*

For the use of gen., also cf. RE, 8, E; RE, 11, C etc. where even the D and J versions give gen.

2. $\sqrt{bhū}$ - in the sense 'to occur', 'to perform' takes gen.

(i) *esa me huthā* T, 7, D, J. 'The following occurred to me'.

(ii) *dharma-carane pi ca na hoti aśilasa* M, (RE, 4, H).

3. $\sqrt{darś}$ - takes gen. of the person to whom something is shown.

(i) *divyāni lupāni dasayitu paṇasa* K (RE, 4, B); but the G version gives acc. cf. *dasayitpā janāni*.

4. \sqrt{upa} / $\sqrt{kṛ}$ - and \sqrt{apa} / $\sqrt{kṛ}$ - take gen.

(i) *para-praśaṃḍasa pi ca upakaroti* S, 12, F (also G and M).
The K version, however gives acc. cf. *palapāṣaḍa*
upakaleti.

(ii) *para-praśaṃḍasapi ca apakaroti* S, 12, G (also G and M). The K version gives acc. as above. cf. *pala-pāṣaḍa pi vā apakaleti*.

5. \sqrt{prati} / \sqrt{vid} - 'to inform' takes gen.

(i) *aḥam janasa paṭivedetu me* S (RE, 6, D and F). —

(ii) *se hakaṃ anusāsitu chaṇḍaṃ ca veditu tūphāka* d, 2, J; at j. 2, K however acc. seems to be intended. cf. *tūpheni hakaṃ anusāsita chāṇḍaṃ ca vedita*

6. peculiar use of *siyā* (< Sk. *syāt*) with gen.

(i) *siyā aṇṭānaṃ avijitānaṃ* 'It might occur to (my) unconquered borderers (to ask)' d, 2, F; j, 2, G. cf. the use of $\sqrt{bhū}$ - above and LÜDERS, SPAW, 1914, 866 ff.

7. $\sqrt{śuśrūṣā}$ takes gen. (and loc.).

(i) *mata-pitusu vuḍhanaṃ suśruṣa* S and M, 4, C. For similar use also cf. *guruna suśruṣa* S, 13, G. Here other versions have compounds. cf. *guru-susūnsā* G.

8. *samyak-pratipatti* takes gen. (and loc.).

(i) *dasa-bhaṭakasa samma-paṭipati* S, 9 G; 13, G. For loc. use in other versions see below.

(ii) *ñāṇaṃ* *bamhaṇa-samanānaṃ sampaṭipati*, G, 4, C (also S, M, K). The versions at D and J give loc. (see below).

9. *asampratipatti* 'discourtesy' takes gen. (and loc.).

(i) *nāṭinā asampaṭipati samana-bambhanānaṃ asampaṭipati*
K, S, M, 4, A. For loc. in G and D see below.

10. *sādhumata-* takes gen.

(i) *athi pi cā ekatiyā samājā sādhu-matā* *Piyadasisā lājine*,
K, 1, E.

11. *loṣa* takes gen. and dat. in K version.

- (i) *nalhi hi me dose* (= *tose*) *uṭhānasā aṭhasamtilanā^{pe} cā* K, 6, H.
For loc. use instead of gen. in all other versions see below.

12. *apaciti* 'reverence' takes gen.

- (i) *gurūnaṃ apaciti* G (RE, 9, G).

(f) locative :

1. *śuśrūṣā* takes loc. (for gen. use see above).

- (i) *sādhu māla-pīlisu sususā* K (RE, 3, D ; 4, C); also cf. T, 7, HH;
etc.

2. *samyak-pratipatti* takes loc. (for gen. see above).

- (i) *nālisu samṇapaṭipati* D and J, 4, C. Other versions give gen. cf. above.

- (ii) *dāsa-bhatakamhi samyā-pratipatī* G, 9, G; All other versions except S give loc.; also cf. RE 13 G.

3. *asampratipatti* also takes loc. (for gen. see above).

- (i) *nālisu asampratipatī* G and J, 4, A; S, M, K give gen.

4. *loṣa* takes loc. and dat. (for gen. see above).

- (i) *nasti hi me loṣo uṭhanasi aṭhasamtilanāye cae* S, 6, H; also cf. M, D and J versions; only K gives gen.

5. *anyatra* 'except' used with loc. (for instr. see above).

- (i) *yatā nalhi ime nikāyā ānatā yoneṣu* K (RE, 13, J).

6. *anusathi* 'instruction' with loc.

- (i) *aṃ tuphesu anusathi* d, 1, C and j, 1, D.

7. *anugraha* takes loc.

- (i) *dupada-catupadesu* *vividhe me anugahe kaḥe* T (RE, 2, E).

8. *vicch-* and *icchā* take loc.

- (i) *atha payāye ichāmi kimli* *hila-sukhena yūjeyu* *hemeva me icha sava-munisusu* j, 1, G and d, 1, F.

9. *āyata* in the sense of '*vyāpṛtā*' = 'occupied' takes loc.

- (i) *tuphe hi bahūsu pāna-sahasasuṃ āyata* d, 1, D and j, 1, E.

- (ii) *lajūkā me bahūsu pāna-sata-sahasasu janasī āyatā* T (PE, 4, C);
also cf. T, 7, M and N.

10. *yāvat* used with loc. (for abl. see above).

- (i) *āva dāsa-bhāṭakesu samṇapaṭipatiyā*, T, 7, H¹.

§ 160. Case variations :

1. Nominative Case :

- (a) used for acc. : *iya ca aṭhe pavatisu lekhaṇeta vālata*, ru, 1, J.

But acc. is regularly used in s, 1, L. cf. *ima ca aṭhaṃ pavatesu likhāpayā-thā*.

- (b) Used for instr. *etameva me anuvekhamāne dhamma-aṭhaṃbhāni kaṭāmi*
T, 7, P.

2. Instrumental case :

- (a) used for nom. : *Devānampriyena Priyadasi raja evaṃ aha*, M, 5, A.

But all other versions read nom. regularly. cf. *Devānampriyo Priyadasi rājā evaṃ āha* G (RE, 5, A).

3. Dative case :

(a) used for loc. :

- (i) *jane ucāvucam maṅgalam kaleti ābādhasi* *paṇāsasi etāye³ amnāye cā edisāye jane bahu maṅgalam kaleti* K, 9, B (also cf. S, M, D, J).

But the G version gives loc. regularly. cf. *asti jano* *maṅgalam karote ābādhesu* *etamhi ca añamhi ca*

- (ii) But at other place even G uses dat. for loc. *tāya athāya vivādo nījhatī va saṁto* G, 6 F (also K, S, M).

But here D and J, 6, F give loc. cf. *tasi aṭhasi*

4. Genitive case : This is used for more than one case.

- (a) gen. for nom. : *tuphāka* (for *tuphe* or *phe*) *tena vataviye* d, 1, Q.⁴

(b) gen. for acc. :

- (i) *amhā ca me jānevu yr.* (9-10).

(c) gen. (with the past passive participle) for instr. :

- (i) *aya dhrama-dīpi Devanapriasa raño likhapita*, S, 1, A ; other versions, however, point to the regular instr. : *priyadasinā rānā lekhāpitā* G (RE, 1, A).

- (ii) *priadraśisa raño Kaliga vijita* S, M, K, 13. A. The text in G is mutilated at this place but from the remnant *raño* it appears that gen. was intended.

- (iii) *hevaṁ mamā lajukā kaḷā* PE, 4, I.

- (iv) *saḍuvīsati-vasābhīsita me* *jātāni avadhyāni kaḷāni*, Rdh and Mth, 5, B ; but the versions at T, Ksb and Rp give instr. *-vasābhīsita me* The use of *me* in gen. and instr. has probably led to the confusion in the above two versions.

- (v) *yāva-saḍuvīsati-vasābhīsita me* *baṁdhana-mokhāni kaḷāni*, Mth, 5, L ; all other versions exhibit the use of instr.

(d) gen. for loc. :

- (i) *bahukam hi dosam samājasa drakhati* *Piyadasī lājā* J, K and M, 1, D ; but loc. is used in G and S, 1, D. cf. *dosam samājamhi pasati*, G.

- (ii) *se ichitaviye kitim ete jātā no huvevu mamā ti* d, 1, N ; *me etāni jātāni* j, 1, O.

- (iii) *te sava-pāsāṁdesu viyāpaṭā* *Yona-Kamboja-Gaṁdhālānam e vā pi amne apalāmlā* K, 5, J ; all other versions similarly use gen. but D alone gives regular loc. *vīyāpaṭā* *Gaṁdhālesu Laṭhika-Pitinikesu*

- (iv) Introduction of gen. in the midst of locatives. *evameva hida raja-viṣavaspi Yona-Kamboyesu Nabhaka-Nabhita Bhoja-Pitinikesu* *dhramanuśasti anuvaṭamti*, S, 13, R ; but the versions at K and M give loc. instead. cf. *Nābhaka-Nābhapaṁtisū*. (The G version is defaced).

3. The Girnar version suggests that these are dat. sg. of mas. However, if they are regarded as fem. forms then they can equally be loc. sg.

5. Locative case :

(a) Loc. for dat. :

(i) *paṭisā pi yule āṇapayisati gaṇanāyaṃ* G (RE, 3, E).

(b) Loc. for gen.

(i) *jīvesu anālambhe sādhu*, D and J, 3, D; but other versions give gen. cf. *prāṇānāṃ sādhu anālambho* G (RE, 3, D). Even D and J give gen. as in other versions in RE, 4, C, cf. *anālambhe pāṇānāṃ*.

§ 161. Peculiarities of Concord.

1. Concord of subject and predicate.

(a) *jana* construed with sg. and pl. *jane dhamma-susuṣā susuṣātu* (sg.) *me ti dhamma-vataṃ vā anuvīdhiyaṃtu* (pl.) *ti* K, 10, A; but S and M use sg. in both places.(b) For the use of a collective noun in singular also cf. *saṃ catupade* (sg.) *ye paṭibhogāṃ no eti na ca khādiyati* RE, 5 B,(c) The predicate *asti* (*atthi*) is used with nom. pl.(i) *asti pi tu ekacā samājā sādhumatā* G (RE, 1, E).(ii) *iyāṃ dhammalibhi āta atthi silāthambhāni vā* *tata kaṭaviyā* T, 7, SS.(d) Similarly *nāsti* (*natthi*) is used with nom. pl.(i) *osudhāni* *yata yata nāsti* G (RE, 2, B); for similar use also cf. RE, 3, c and 13, J.(ii) *yasa nāsti sayame bhāva-sudhātā* G (RE, 7, E).

(e) Sg. predicate with plural subject.

(i) *dhammāpekkhā dhammakūmatā cā* *vaḍḍhisati* PE, 1, D.

(f) Pl. predicate used with nom. sg.

(i) *paṭisā pi ca yutāni gaṇanāsi āṇapayisaṃti* K, 3, E. Similar construction occurs in S version also. But G, M and J use the predicate in sg.(ii) *ye hi kecha ata-pāsaḍa punāti* *kiti ata-pāsaḍa dipayema* K, 12, H. The versions at G and M similarly give the plural forms of *√dipa-* but the S version gives singular *dipayami*.(iii) *kayānāṃmeva dekhanti iyāṃ me kayāne kaṭe ti*, Rdh, Mth, RP, 3, B; but T and Ksb give sg. *dekhati*.(iv) *taṃ loke anūpaṭipannaṃ taṃ ca anuvīdhiyaṃti* T, 7, GG.

2. Concord of Noun and Adjective.

I. Gender :

(a) Adj. agrees with mas. when the substantives are mas. and fem. *vivāde nijhāti vā saṃtaṃ (= saṃto)*, RE, 6, F.

(b) Adj. used in neut. when it qualifies different genders.

(i) *imāṇi āsinavagāmiṇi nāma atha caṃḍiye nīṭhūliye kodhe māne* *īsyā* RE, 3, F.(c) Mas. is referred to by *kāni* and *nāni* in neuter.(i) *nātikā va kāni nijhapayisaṃti* PE, 4, M; also cf. PE, 5, C; 6, C.(ii) *kimti bhūtānaṃ ānaṃṇaṃ gaccheyāṃ idha ca nāni sukhāpāyāmi* G (RE, 6, L).

II. Number :

- (a) nom. sg. adj. construed with pl. substantive. *yena ele abhātā asvatha saṁtām*, PE, 4, J.

§ 162. Absolutive constructions :

(a) Nominative singular absolute :

- (i) *kevaṁ ca kalāntām* (nom.) *tuphe caghattha saṁpaṭipādayitave* d, 1, X; for other uses cf. d, 2, L and P; mk. Section G.
 (ii) *pātayantām* j, 1, S and T.
 (iii) *saṁtām* j, 2, Q; PE, 4, J. cf. LÜDERS, SPAW 1913. 1010.
 (iv) *nāsaṁtām* PE, 4, M. cf. LÜDERS, ibid. 1913. 1023.
 (v) *-pajantām*, T, 7, PP.
 (vi) *duāhale* d, 1, T. cf. HULTZSCH, Inscriptions of Aśoka, p. 95, f.n. 13.
 (vii) The form *karuṁ* occurring at G, 11, E and 12, F is of nom. absolute according to Senart, Bühler and Hultzsch.

(b) Genitive singular absolute :

- (i) *adamānasā me* *paṭivedakā' aḥam* *vedetu*, K (RE, 6, D).

(c) Locative singular absolute :

- (i) *adhunā ladhesu Kalīngesu tivo dhammavāyo*, G (RE, 13, C).

§ 163. To denote time various cases are used.

- (a) Nom. : *sātīlēke cu chavachare* ru, 1, D (cf. other versions of MRE).

(b) Acc :

- (i) *atikātaṁ antaram* 'G (RE, 4, A); for similar use cf. Major RE. 5, H; 6, B; 8, A.
 (ii) *sātīrekāṇi aḍḍhatiyāṇi vasāṇi* Kpb. B (also cf. other MRE).

(c) Inst. :

- (i) *bahūhi vāsa-satehi* G (RE, 4, C).
 (ii) *iminā ca kālena amisā munisā devehi* yr. 4-5.

(d) Dat. :

- (i) *āghāya* 'in distant (future)' G, 10, A; other versions, however, use loc. cf. *āyatiye* and *ayatiya*.
 (ii) *yā imāya kālāya* *amisā devā husu* ru, E; but inst. is used in *etena ca antalena*, s, E and *iminā kālena*, br, F.

(e) Loc. :

- (i) *pañcasu pañcasu vāsesu* G (RE, 3, C).
 (ii) *save kāle*, G, 6, D and F; but other versions give acc., cf. *savām kālaṁ*.
 (iii) *tisu cātummāsīsū* (loc.) *tisāyaṁ punnamāsiyaṁ* (loc.) *tiṇṇi divasāni* (acc.) *cāvuddasaṁ paṇṇaḍasaṁ paṭipadāye* (loc.) *dhuvāye cā anuposathaṁ mache avadhiye* T, 5, H; but among the other versions of this edict, Mi gives *paṭipadā* (nom. or acc.?) and Rdh, Mth and Rp give *paṭipadam* (acc.).
 (iv) *se imāyaṁ velāyaṁ* *amisā devā samāṇā* Kpb, E.

§ 164. Some peculiar constructions :

(a) Change in construction is observed in :—

te sava-pāsāṇḍesu vyāpata dhāmadhiṣṭānāya ye vā pi amhā āparātā G, (RE, 5, J). Here the change in the construction is made from *ye vā* but some such word as *tesu* is omitted at the end.

(b) Similarly the construction is broken in section M of the RE 5 at G, K, S and M. cf. *savesu olodhanesu e vā pi amne nālikye savatā viyāpaṭā* (K version). But the D version reads : *savesu olodhanesu amnesu vā nālikesu*

(c) *ta mama pulā ca potā ca param ca tena ya me apacāṇ anuvalisare lathā so sukataṇ kāsati* G, 5, E. Here the sg. construction in *so sukataṇ kāsati* in spite of the plural in antecedent is noteworthy. All other versions give the plural construction in its stead.

CHAPTER III

INSCRIPTIONS OF AŚOKA IN THE LIGHT OF PRAKRIT GRAMMARIANS

The grammars of different Prakrit languages were written at a very late stage when all the Prakrits described in them had assumed a more or less standardised literary form. They were then no longer in the process of formation as most of the characteristics which distinguished them from one another had come to become normal. The inscriptions of Aśoka, on the other hand, represent a very early stage in the development of MI-A languages. If we were to except a few Prakritisms in Vedic Sanskrit, a few Prakrit words quoted by Sanskrit grammarians, and the Prakrit inscription on the Piprahwa vase and the Sogaura copper plate (L 931 and L 937), the inscriptions of Aśoka are the oldest dated records in MI-A dialects. It may, therefore, be assumed that these inscriptions show at least in certain cases the starting point of the characteristics noted and perhaps exaggerated by later grammarians. It would be wrong to suppose that at such an early stage as these inscriptions represent such phonetic changes as the change of intervocalic surds to sonants or loss of intervocalic stops should have any sweeping force. Such changes are therefore only restricted in their scope and are useful only in showing the tendencies of a particular region.

It would therefore be profitable to correlate the results of the studies in Phonology and Morphology of these inscriptions to the treatment of various dialects given by Prakrit grammarians. Of these grammarians the following discussion takes into account only Vararuci, as the oldest Prakrit grammarian, and Hemacandra for having given an exhaustive treatment to the study of Prakrits. Though these grammarians enumerate a large number of Prakrits they treat of only three or four principal Prakrits in details viz. the Māhārāṣṭrī, Śaurasenī, Māgadhī and Pāṣācī. For our present purposes we may leave aside the question of Pāṣācī, as the problem of its original home is not yet finally settled. Among the rest, Māhārāṣṭrī may roughly correspond to the Western inscriptions of Aśoka, Māgadhī to the Eastern and Śaurasenī to the Central Indian inscriptions. We have at present no knowledge of a Prakrit deriving its name from a Southern country and which would have corresponded with the Southern inscriptions of Aśoka. The purpose of the present chapter is to compare, wherever possible, the dialectal variations noted by the grammarians with the regional distinctions observed in Aśokan inscriptions. This will enable us to see how far the later tendencies witnessed in literary Prakrits have any historical bearing.

PHONOLOGY

I. Vowels : The treatment of the vowel γ is not so specifically dealt with by the grammarians as to point to any dialectal distinction. It is, however, studied by some of the modern scholars who point out that the $\gamma > a$ treatment is predominant in the West and the South and that the $\gamma > i$ treatment in other regions.¹ This distinction

1. J. BLOCH, *La Formation d la langue Marathe*, §31; S. K. CHATTERJEE, *Bengali Language*, §137; PISCHEL, *Gr. Pkt. Spr.* §49-51; GEIGER, *Pāli Gr.* §12; all these are quoted by WOOLNER in his *Introduction to Pkt.* §60.

finds an exact reflection in the Aś. inscriptions in as much as the $r > a$ treatment is the principal one in the Western and the $r > i$ treatment in the non-Western regions.

As regards the change in the quantity of the vowels before consonant clusters, though Hemacandra expresses himself in a definite manner in the Sūtras 1.43, 84 and 2.92, Vararuci is astonishingly silent about it. "Are we therefore to interpret", asks COWELL in his edition of the *Prākṛta-Prakāśa* by Vararuci (second issue, p. 186) "the silence of Vararuci as evidence that the principle in question grew up gradually in Prākṛit, and only became fully recognised in later times?" This statement is to a certain extent borne out by the Aś. inscriptions. Hemacandra makes only a qualified statement in laying down that short vowels are lengthened in the metrically long syllables (cf. 1.43 and 2.92). In Aś. inscriptions we find that short vowels, in this position are only occasionally lengthened in the non-Western regions. They undergo this change in the West only in rare cases. According to Hemacandra, however, the change of long vowels before consonant clusters is of a sweeping nature (1.84) without any dialectal distinction. But in the inscriptions of Aśoka we notice that long vowels, except \bar{u} , are usually shortened in the regions other than the West where they are normally preserved. The long vowel \bar{u} is, however, shortened in all regions with only a few exceptions.

II. Simple Consonants : It is mostly in this sphere that the dialectal variations in Prakrits are recognised by the grammarians. The elision of intervocal single consonant is a singular characteristic of Māhārāṣṭrī (V. 2.2 ; H. 1.177). This compares well with Aś. inscriptions where this tendency is met with only in the West and the N.-West, though in a restricted number of cases. Thus the elements of a tendency later on exaggerated in the Māhārāṣṭrī literature may be regarded to have been found in the corresponding region in the days of Aśoka.

The change of $-t- > -d-$ (also $t- > \bar{d}-$) and of $-th- > -dh-$ is one of the salient features of Śaurasēnī (V. 12.3 ; H. 4.260-2 and 267) and Māgadhī (H. on 4.302). The change of $t- > d-$ and of $-t- > -d-$ is only exceptionally met with in the North and the N.-West. This early Northern characteristic seems to have developed later on into a characteristic feature of the non-Western dialects. The change of $-th- > -dh-$ is however, not noticed in the Aś. inscriptions.²

In the treatment of the palatal j and the semi-vowel y it may be gathered that the later usage does not quite correspond to the earlier tendencies. The grammarians lay down that intervocal $-j-$ is dropped and sometimes $-y-$ is developed in its stead in Māhārāṣṭrī (H. 1.177, 180), but it is invariably changed to y , both initially and medially, in Māgadhī (V. 11.4 ; H. 4.292). In the Aś. inscriptions, loss of intervocal $-j-$ is not met with and the change of $-j- > -y-$ is obtained not in the East so as to be a characteristic of Māgadhī later on, but in the N.-West. With regard to y it is prescribed that whereas it is preserved in Māgadhī (H. 4.292) it is changed to j -or- $j̣$ - in other languages (V. 2.31 ; H. 1.248). But in the inscriptions of Aśoka intervocal $-y- > -j-$ only in a few cases in the East and the N.-West. Then again initially y is lost mostly in the indeclinables and relative pronouns in the Eastern dialect of

2. For the first appearance of this characteristic in a little later inscriptions cf. *radha-* (< Sk. *ratha-*), *padhama-* (< Sk. *prathama-*), etc. in the Udayagiri inscription (L 1345) in the East and *kadhika-* (< Sk. *kathika-*) etc. in the Amaravati inscriptions (EI 15.270.40) in the South.

Aśoka and not in the Western. Intervocally, however, *-y-* is preserved in the East, its elision being restricted only to the N.-West.

The cerebral nasal *ṇ* is preserved in all Prakrits except Paiśācī where it is changed to the dental *n* (V. 10.5; H. 4.306). As this feature distinguishes all other Prakrits from Paiśācī it is worth while to note that it is the Eastern dialect of Aśoka's time which agrees with Paiśācī in this respect. The cerebral *ṇ* is preserved in the West, N.-West and the South in those days.³

The change of *r* to *l* in all positions forms one of the principal characteristics of Māgadhi according to the grammarians (H. 4.288). This change is optional in Śaurasenī, more frequent in Ardha-Māgadhi and a few instances have been recorded where it occurs in Māhārāṣṭrī (V. 2.30). This treatment of the semivowel *r* is definitely borne out by the inscriptions of Aśoka which point out that *l* was substituted for *r* in the court language of Magadha but not in that of the West, N.-West (and the South).

The three Sk. sibilants fall together in the single dental sibilant in all later Prakrits except Māgadhi (V. 2.43; H. 1.260; for Paiśācī cf. H. 4.309). The Māgadhi of the grammarians singles out itself in this connection and consistently shows the palatal *ś* instead of the dental *s* (V. 11.3; H. 4.288). It is in this respect again that the dialectal distinction of the later Prakrits does not correspond to the one noticed in the Aś. inscriptions. In these inscriptions even the Eastern dialect together with others (except in the N.-West) shows the dental *s* and not the palatal *ś*. The Kālsī edicts of Aśoka situated in the Dehra Dun district of the United Provinces no doubt point sometimes to *ś* (< *s*), but they even preserve *ṣ* or *s* or change *s* to *ṣ*. As has been remarked in the treatment of these sibilants in the First Chapter on Phonology, this confusion is attributed by scholars to the ignorance of the scribe and is no longer regarded as representing the correct pronunciation of the people.

Palatalisation of a few single consonants and mostly of dentals in combination with *y* is a feature recorded by later grammarians as common to all Prakrits without any dialectal distinction. The inscriptions of Aśoka, however, point almost in all cases to some geographical distinction. Thus the cluster *kṣ* is palatalised to *ch* in all positions in the West and the N.-West but it is assimilated to *kh* in other regions. The clusters *-ty-* and *-ts-* are palatalised mostly in the West, N.-West and the South. The clusters *-dy-* and *-dhy-* are, however, palatalised in all regions. In this connection the difference in the treatment of the cluster *dy* in the Eastern inscriptions of Aśoka and the Māgadhi of the grammarians may be pointed out. It has been already noted that Māgadhi changes *j* to *y* and as a corollary to it the cluster *dy* is changed not to *jj* as in other literary Prakrits but to *yy* in Māgadhi (H. 4.292). The Eastern dialect in Aśoka's period, however, only palatalises *-dy-* to *-j-* (i.e. *-jj-*) without any further change. The change of *-ry-* to *-j-* or *-jj-* which is prescribed for Māhārāṣṭrī and Śaurasenī by Hemacandra (2.24 and 4.266) is not met with in the Aś. inscriptions.⁴ The initial palatalisation of *t-* to *ç-* which is found in the Eastern and North-

3. The tendency to preserve *-ṇ-* or change it to *-n-* is witnessed even in later Prakrit inscriptions all over India. The full preservation of *-ṇ-* is met with in very late inscriptions of the 4th cent. A.D. cf. for instance the language employed in the Bāsim plates of Central India (EI 26.137ff).

4. For its appearance later on in the South cf. *Ruddajja* < Sk. *Rudrāya* EI 17.329^a *majādā* < Sk. *maryādā* (L. 1205), etc. and also the Central Indian copper plates of Bāsim (EI 26.152ff).

ern dialects of Aśoka seems to have been later on incorporated by Śaurasenī and Māhārāṣṭrī also.

Cerebralisation of dentals under the influence of *ṛ*, *ṛ* or a sibilant is noticed by grammarians as a feature common to all Prakrits. The Western dialect of the inscriptions of Aśoka, however, clearly distinguishes itself from others by the preservation of the dentals in a large number of cases. The cerebralisation in Māhārāṣṭrī, therefore, seems to have been a later development under the Eastern influence. Similarly the cerebralisation of *n* to *ṇ* in all positions is a later development of the literary Prakrits (V. 2.42, H. 1.228-9) which is not noticed so strongly in the earlier stages. In the inscriptions of Aśoka *n*- is preserved in all versions except the one at Kōpāl in H. E. H. the Nizam's Dominions where *n*-|> *ṇ*- and *n*- > *ṇ*- in all cases. Intervocally *n*- > *ṇ*- also in the West and the N.-West. Even in terminations the cerebral *ṇ*- (< *n*-) is replaced by the dental *n*- in all versions except those at Mysore and Kōpāl in the South.⁵

The cluster *-ñ-* is cerebralised to *-ṇ-* in Māhārāṣṭrī and Śaurasenī (V. 3.44; 12.8; H. 2.42), but palatalised to *-ññ-* in Māgadhī (H. 4.293) and Paisācī (H. 4.303-4). But in the inscriptions of Aśoka the palatal treatment is noticed only in the West (and sometimes in the N.-West), the Eastern, Central and the Northern inscriptions assimilating it to *-ṇ-*. The cerebral treatment, again, is observed in the two distant corners viz. the N.-Western and Southern inscriptions.

The change of intervocal sonants to surds, both aspirate and unaspirate, forms the salient feature of Paisācī (and Cūlikā-Paisācī) Prakrit (V. 10.3; H. 4.307, 325). This type of change is only sporadically observed in the inscriptions of Aśoka. But the important point of note, which may contribute towards deciding of the original home of Paisācī, is that whereas in the case of *-g*- > *-k*- the change is observed in N.-West and the South, the change of *-j*- > *-c*- (or *-d*- > *-t*-) may be regarded to have started in the East.

III. Consonant Clusters : The principles of assimilation and others which have simplified Sk. clusters in literary Prakrits are seen working in the inscriptions of Aśoka also. A few peculiarities, however, may be discussed below.

(i) Clusters with stops : The change of *-cch*- > *-śc*- noticed in Māgadhī (H. 4.295) is not witnessed in any version of the Aś. inscriptions. Then again Māgadhī has some clusters with sibilants. Thus *-tṭ-* and *-ṣṭh-* > *-ṣṭ-* in Māgadhī (H. 4.290 also 289). Now the cluster *-ṣṭh-* normally becomes *-ṭh-* (or *-th-*) in the non-Western inscriptions of Aśoka. It is preserved as *-ṣṭ-* but not in the East, as one may expect from its later appearance as a Māgadhī characteristic, but in the Girnar version of the Rock Edicts in the West. Similarly *-sth-* and *-rth-* > *-st-* in Māgadhī (H. 4.291). But these clusters become *-th-* or *-ṭh-* in Aśokan inscriptions except in the West where it is preserved in the form *-st-* seen in later Māgadhī. As these special treatments which are peculiar to later Māgadhī are seen only in the West in the Aśokan inscriptions and are not available even in the later Prakrit inscriptions in the East (e.g. the Rāmgarh cave inscriptions L 920-L921; Bodh-Gayā inscriptions L 939-L948; Udaya-

5. Partial cerebralisation of *n* is witnessed in all later Prakrit inscriptions, the tendency towards cerebralisation getting stronger from the beginning of the Christian era. The complete change of *n* > *ṇ* is felt in the 3rd and 4th cent. A.D., copper plates. Cf. L 1194, L 1200, EI 26.137ff., etc.

giri and Khapdagiri cave inscriptions L 1342-L 1353) it is very difficult to say when this characteristic went over from West to East.

(ii) Clusters with *y* : The cluster *ry* submits to many changes in later literary Prakrits. cf. *-ry- > rla* (V. 3.20 ; H. 2.107, also 67); *-ry- > -r-* (V. 3.18-19 ; H. 2.63-64); *-ry- > -ara-* and *-rijj-* (H. 2.67). All these treatments show highly developed phonetic changes. They are therefore not expected to appear in the inscriptions of Aśoka. In them we find only the treatment *-ry- > -riy-, -liy-, or -y-*.

The preservation of the cluster *vy* in all positions which forms the Western characteristic in Aśokan period is not observed by later grammarians as in course of time even this regional tendency must have been obliterated.

(iii). Clusters with *r* : It is enjoined by the grammarians that such clusters should always be assimilated. They notice, however, optional preservation only in the case of *dr* (V. 3.3-4 ; H. 2.79-80). We have seen in the treatment of such clusters that they were often preserved in the N.-Western and the Western inscriptions of Aśoka. Thus it appears that even these clusters together with others came to be assimilated in all regions during the period of the Pkt. grammarians.

(iv) Clusters with *v* : A dialectal variation in the treatment of the cluster *rv* is noticed by Hemacandra. Whereas it is assimilated to *-vv-* in other Prakrits, it is dissolved into *-rav-* or *-lav-* in Śaurasēnī and Māgadhī (H. 4.270 and on. 4.302). In the Aś. inscriptions the cluster *rv* is either preserved or assimilated to *-v-* in the West and the N.-West. In the East (and the North), besides being assimilated to *-v-*, it is sometimes dissolved, as in Māgadhī, but with this distinction that the dissolved form is *-luv-* and not *-lav-*.

(v) Clusters with sibilants : The changes of the cluster *kṣ* to *kh* or *ch* are already noticed above under palatalisation. Further it may be mentioned here that the occasional change of *kṣ- > -sk-* noticed by grammarians as a Māgadhī feature (V. 11.8 ; H. 4.297) is never met with in the Aś. inscriptions.

(vi) Clusters with nasals :

(a) With the nasal *ñ* : The treatment of the cluster *-ñj- > -ṇṇ-* or *-ññ-* is already discussed above. A curious treatment of this cluster by which it is sometimes changed to *-j-* or *-jj-* in the literary Prakrits (V. 3.5 ; H. 2.83) is not found in Aś. inscriptions. The cluster *-ñj-* is assimilated to *-ññ-* in Māgadhī according to Hemacandra (4.293). It is only the Shāhbāzgarhī version in the N.-West which corresponds to this Māgadhī characteristic by changing *-ñj- > -ñ-*; otherwise the cluster is represented as *-ñj-* or *-j-*.

(b) With the nasals *ṇ* and *n* : The clusters *ṇy* and *ny* are always palatalised to *ññ* in Māgadhī and Pāṣāṇī according to Hemacandra (4. 293 and 305). They are cerebralised to *-ṇṇ-* in other Prakrits. But in the inscriptions of Aśoka the palatal treatment is not witnessed in the East, it being confined to the N.-West and the West. In the East the clusters are assimilated to the dental nasal *n*. The cerebral treatment, though rare, forms again the characteristic of the Mānsehrā version in the N.-West.

(c) With the nasal *m* : The Cluster *-tm-* is mostly changed to *-pp-* in Māhārāṣṭrī and to *-pp-* or *-tt-* in other Prakrits. (V. 3.48 ; H. 2.51 seems to allow both forms in Māhārāṣṭrī). In Aśokan inscriptions the cluster is preserved as *-tp-* in the Western and the Southern divisions but assimilated to *-t-* elsewhere. Thus this Aśokan Western characteristic of *-tm- > -tp-* seems to have been further developed into *-tm- > -tp- > -pp-* as a predominant feature of Māhārāṣṭrī.

MORPHOLOGY

The dialectal variations in the declensional and the conjugational systems of the literary Prakrits are not many, and thus most of the regional variations noticed in the second chapter on Morphology seem to have been obliterated later on. Still a few peculiarities may be discussed below.

I. Declension : The nom. sg. term. *-e* in Māgadhī for the stems ending in *-a* (V. 11.10 ; H. 4.287) is definitely reflected in the Eastern dialect of the inscriptions of Aśoka. The nom. sg. neut. *-e* found in the Aśokan Eastern dialect is, however, not met with later on in Māgadhī which gives with other Prakrits the term *-am*.

The nom. acc. pl. neut., the inst. sg., and the gen. pl. terminations of some stems always show a cerebral *-ṇ-* in the literary Prakrits. As has been already noticed, only a beginning is made in this direction in the Southern inscriptions of Aśoka, all others and even some of the Southern inscriptions show the dental *-n-* in terminations.

The optional term. *-āha* for gen. sg. and *-haṃ* for gen. pl. which are found in Māgadhī (V. 11.12 ; H. 4.299, 300) are never witnessed in Aś. inscriptions.

The instr., dat., abl. and gen. sg. terminations of the fem. nouns always preserve *-y-* in the endings *-yā* or *-ye* in the Aś. inscriptions. The literary Prakrits, however, never preserve this *-y-* of the terminations. They are again definitely richer in terminations for these cases than the inscriptions of Aśoka.

The nom. sg. of stems in *-i* and *-u* show either a short or long *i* and *u* at the end in the inscriptions. The literary Prakrits always end in *-ī-* and *-ū-* in these cases.

Among the stems ending in *-ṛ* a noteworthy feature which appears in a single inscription of Aśoka and very often in the later Prakrit inscriptions but which never figures in the literary Prakrits is the gen. sg. term. *-u* coming directly from the Sk. ending *-uḥ* in such form as *mātūḥ*.

The instances of the consonantal declension are not many. Though in general such bases are transferred to the corresponding vowel bases, the Aś. inscriptions preserve more Sk. forms, with the necessary phonetic changes, than the literary Prakrits. Thus for example, the instr. sg. of *-at* stem in Aś. inscriptions ends in *-ā* (cf. *bhagavatā*, *hetuvatā*) instead of *-eṇa* as in literary Prakrits. In the declension of *-an* and *-in* stems, however, even the literary Prakrits preserve some of the forms of the corresponding Sanskrit declension.

In the forms of Pronouns also there is not much to distinguish one literary Prakrit from the other. As compared with inscriptions the peculiar form *hage* used in Māgadhī for nom. pl. of the first personal pronoun is not found in the Aś. inscriptions. On the contrary some of the inscriptional bases as *apha-* and *tupha-* for the first and second personal pronouns respectively become obsolete in the literary Prakrits. There are also a few other peculiar forms in the Aś. inscriptions which are all detailed above in the chapter on Morphology.

II. Conjugation : In this sphere also there is not much to discuss from the view point of dialectal distinctions. The change of *-t->-d-* in third pers. sg. term. is noticed in Śaurasēnī and Māgadhī (H. 4.273 and H. on 4.302). This intervocal *-t-* is characteristically lost in Māhārāṣṭrī which then gives terminations like *-i*, *-u* etc. This *-t-* is preserved only in the Pāṣāṇī Prakrit (H. 4.318-19). These phonetic changes mark a clear advanced stage and as such are absent in the Aś. inscriptions. Similarly the change *-th->-dh-* in the term. of the second per. pl. in Imperative is found

in Śaurasenī and Māgadhi; but it is absent in Aś. inscriptions.⁶ The regional distinctions wherever they occur in the inscriptions, as for example the terminations of the middle voice in the West almost to the exclusion of all other regions, are already noticed above and hence they are not noted here.

The formatives of the participles in the literary Prakrits differ among themselves only in this respect that whereas the intervocal *-t-* > *-d-* in Śaurasenī and Māgadhi, its occlusion is lost in Māhārāṣṭrī. As is noticed above this stage of phonetic development is not reached in the days of Aśoka. The other point which deserves notice is that the *-n-* in the formative of the middle present participle is cerebralised to *-ṇ-* in literary Prakrits. But for a few instances of similar cerebralisation in the South, this dental *-n-* is always preserved in Aś. inscriptions.

The endings of the Absolutes are rather confused in the literary Prakrits. The term *-tūṇam*⁷ figures in all literary Prakrits but except for the form *abhivādetūṇam* in the Bhābrā edict it is quite absent in Aś. inscriptions. The term *-ttā*⁸ which is noticed by Hemacandra in his commentary on the sūtra 2.271 in the treatment of Śaurasenī language is also absent in these inscriptions. On the contrary we get *-tpā* in the West and *-tu* in other regions in the Aś. inscriptions. The archaic term *-ti* (< Vedic *-tvī*) noted in the N.-Western dialect naturally does not survive in the later period.

Thus it appears that some of the distinguishing characteristics of later Prakrits are reflected in the corresponding regional variations observed in Aś. inscriptions. One important fact which emerges from this correlation is that some of the characteristics of later Māgadhi were current in the West (or N.-West) rather than in the East in the days of Aśoka. It has been already remarked that some of these western characteristics are not apparent even in the Eastern Prakrit inscriptions of later period. But together with this it must also be remembered that sufficient inscriptional material after the period of Khāravēla's inscriptions in the East is not available. So long as such data are not available in the East the date of the movement of the Western characteristics towards the East will remain a moot point. Then again the question regarding the reasons which led to the incorporating of these foreign elements in the Eastern dialect will have to be faced. In this connection it may be noted that after the fall of Maurya empire Magadha never came into prominence till the rise of the Guptas. But it is very difficult to decide at this stage the extent to which these events in the political history of India had their reaction on the linguistic movements.

6. The voicing of *-th-* in term. does not appear even in later Pkt. inscriptions until we come to the 4th cent. A.D. Bāsim copper plates, cf. *rakkhadha*, *rakkhāpedha*, etc. EI 26.153 lines 25, 26, etc.

7. This term becomes more frequent in the 2nd and 3rd cent. A.D. inscriptions of S. India cf. L 1200, L 1202, L 1203, etc. also cf. Nāgārjuni Koṇḍa inscriptions.

8. It occurs in the 4th cent. A.D. copper plates at Bāsim (E. 26.153, line 25) in the form *karettā*.

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Besides being as exhaustive as possible, there is another important feature of this Bibliography. It does not merely enumerate the names of authors and their works but also tries to give in short, and if possible in the author's own words, the nature of their contents. The personal history of Aśoka and the early history of Buddhism require to be substantiated by the evidence offered by these inscriptions and hence important works dealing with these subjects merit mention in this Bibliography. It is hoped that the present effort will be useful to all those who undertake the study of these inscriptions from any point of view.¹

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3. In the centuries preceding the Christian era, *śramaṇa* refers not to Buddhists but to the orthodox ascetics of the Brahmanical fold.
4. The *dharma* preached is a replica of Hindu law of Sanātana Dharma.
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 - (d) IA. 18.105-08. 1889. Sixth (Pillar) Edict. Text, Translation and Notes.
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- (3) *imañ cu dhammānupaṭipati anupaṭipajantū ti etadathā* PE VII.

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- IV. Consular Officers in India and Greece. pp. 200-01.
 - V. Persian Influence on Mauryan India. pp. 201-03.
 - VI. The meaning of *Sāmānta* in Rock Edict II. p. 245.
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392. THOMAS, F. W. "Notes on the Edicts of Aśoka". JRAS. 1914. 383-95; 751-52. (1) *prādeśika* pp. 383-6; (2) *mahāmātṛa* pp. 386-7; (3) *yuktā* (*yuta*) pp. 387-91; (4) *aṭṭhabhāgiya* pp. 391-92; (5) *samāja* pp. 392-94; (6) *agni-skandha* pp. 394-05; additions to his notes on *aṭṭhabhāgiya* and *samāja* pp. 751-52.
393. THOMAS, F. W. "Notes on the Edicts of Aśoka". JRAS. 1915. 97-112. (7) *mukha-danamukha* pp. 97-99; (8) *paligodha-palibodha* pp. 99-106; (9) *asvasa-visvasika* pp. 106-8; (10) *samsarana* pp. 109-12; (11) *prādeśika* again p. 112.
394. THOMAS, F. W. "Notes on the Edicts of Aśoka". JRAS. 1916. 113-23. (12) *vivasa* pp. 113-19; (13) Some minor points; (i) *tam aṭṭham*, (ii) *tadd-tvan*, (iii) *nijhātī* pp. 120-23.
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396. THOMAS, F. W. "Sanskrit Masculine Plurals in *-āni*". JRAS. 1924. 449-50.
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